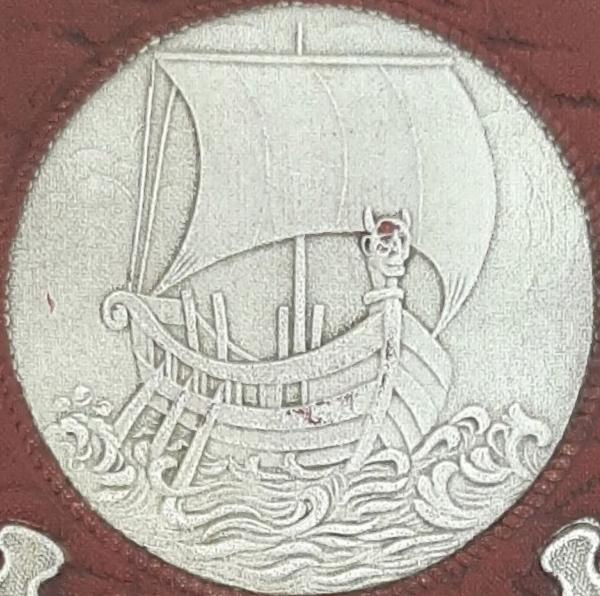


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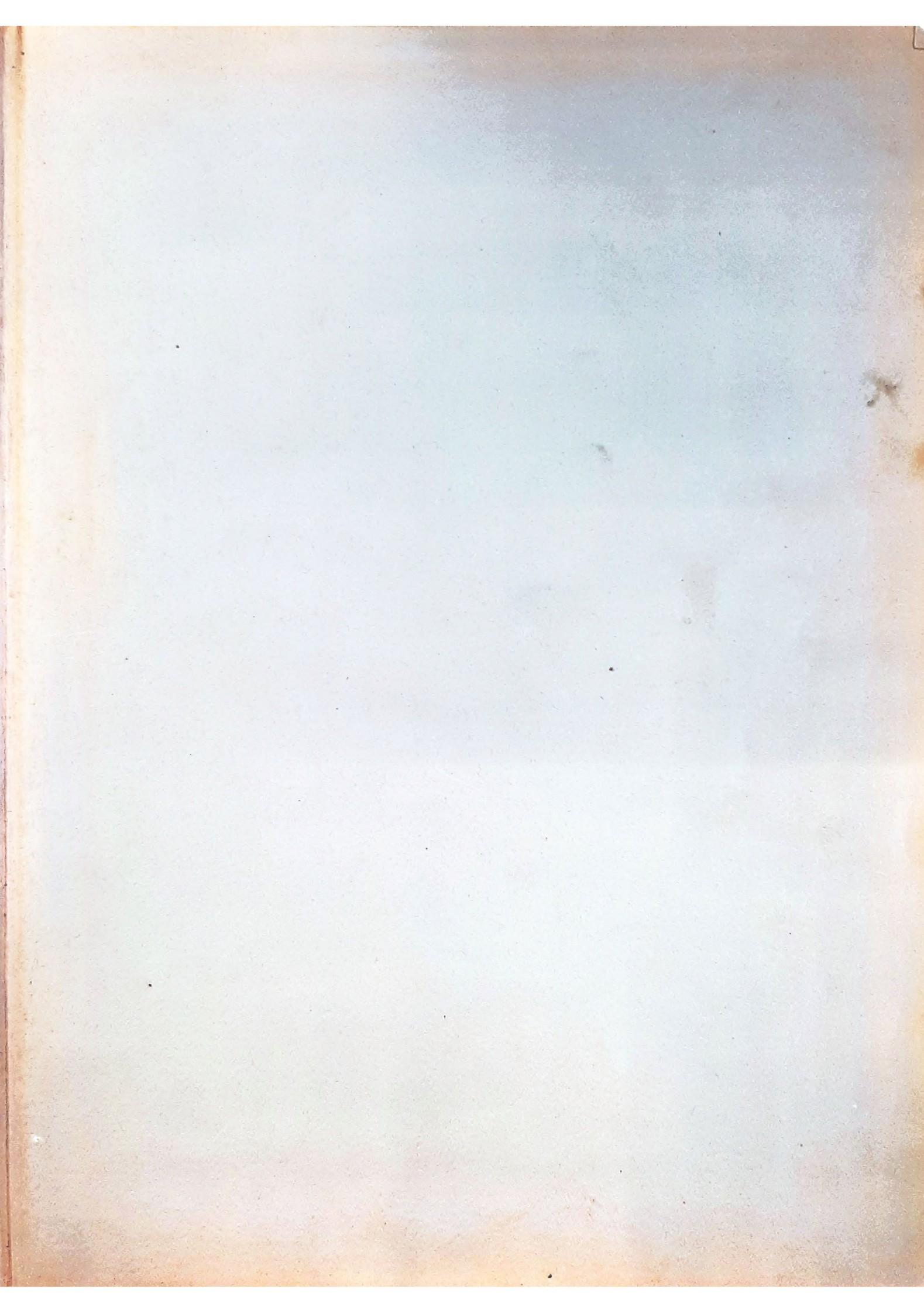


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## Foreword

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We, the Senior Class of the Benton Township High School, place in your hands this 1929 Scarab as a mirror of the progress of the personalities of this High School.

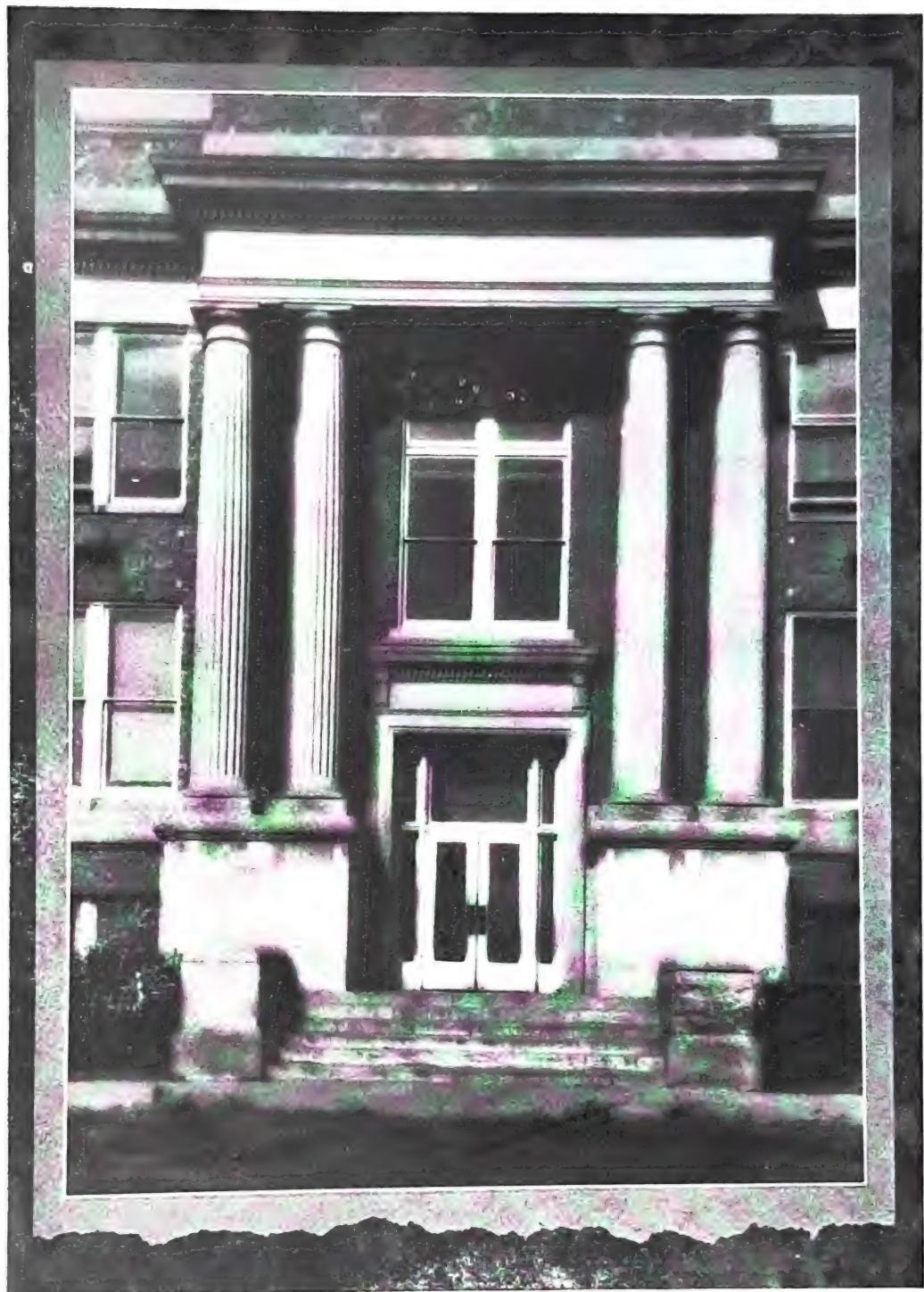
We hope that it may be more than just a mere collection of print and paper or an inanimate record of a past year.

May the many memories within these covers become even more precious with the passing years.

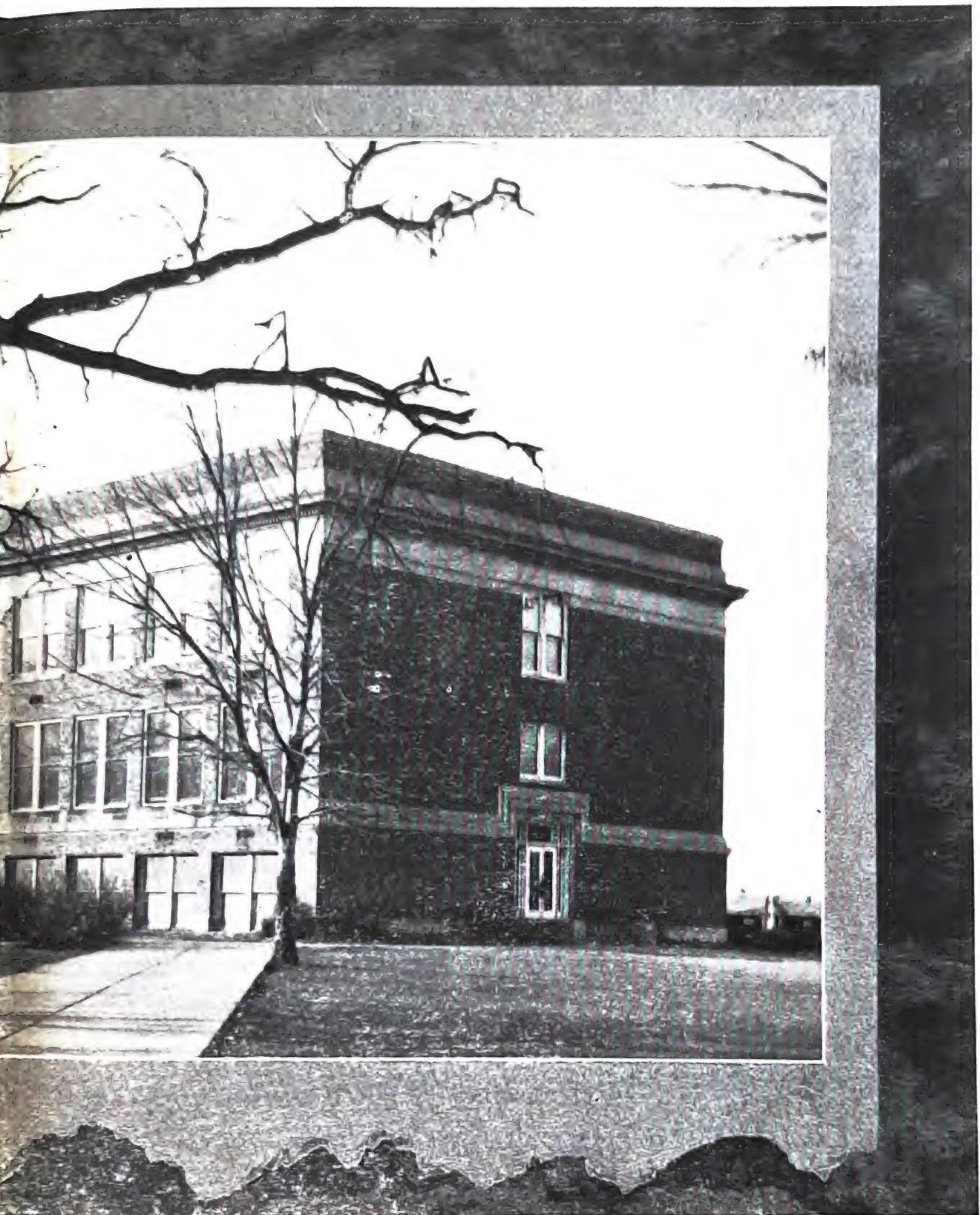


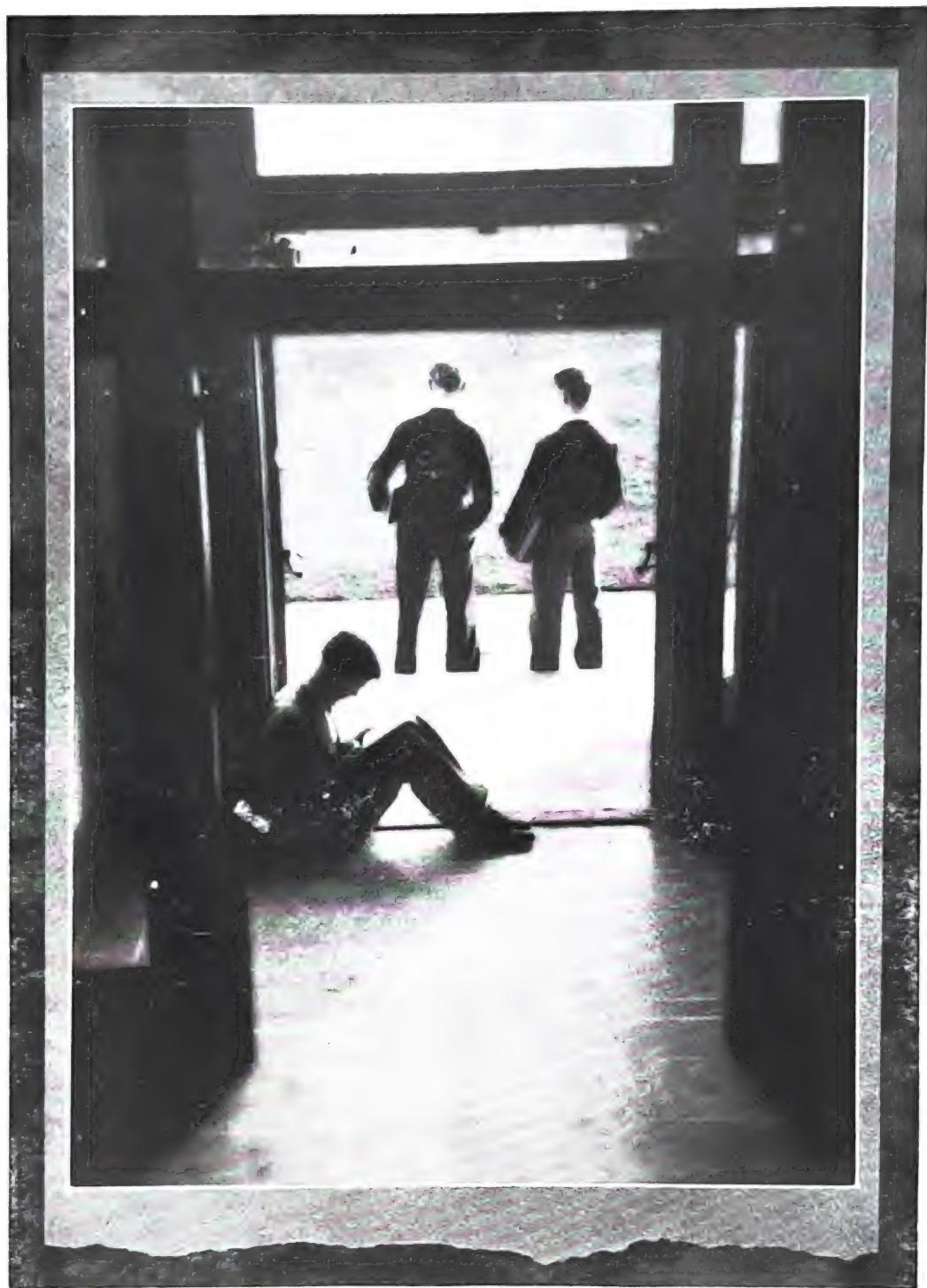
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**William R. Pinkerton**



## Dedication

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As a small expression of our sincere appreciation and gratitude for all they have done for us and our High School, We, the Senior Class, dedicate our 1929 Scarab to,

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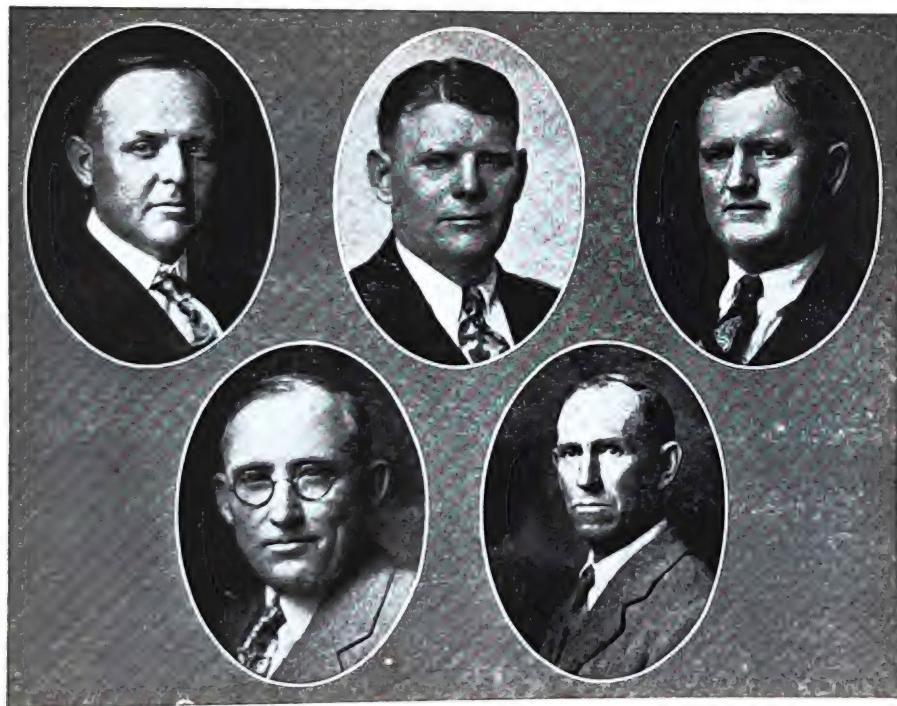


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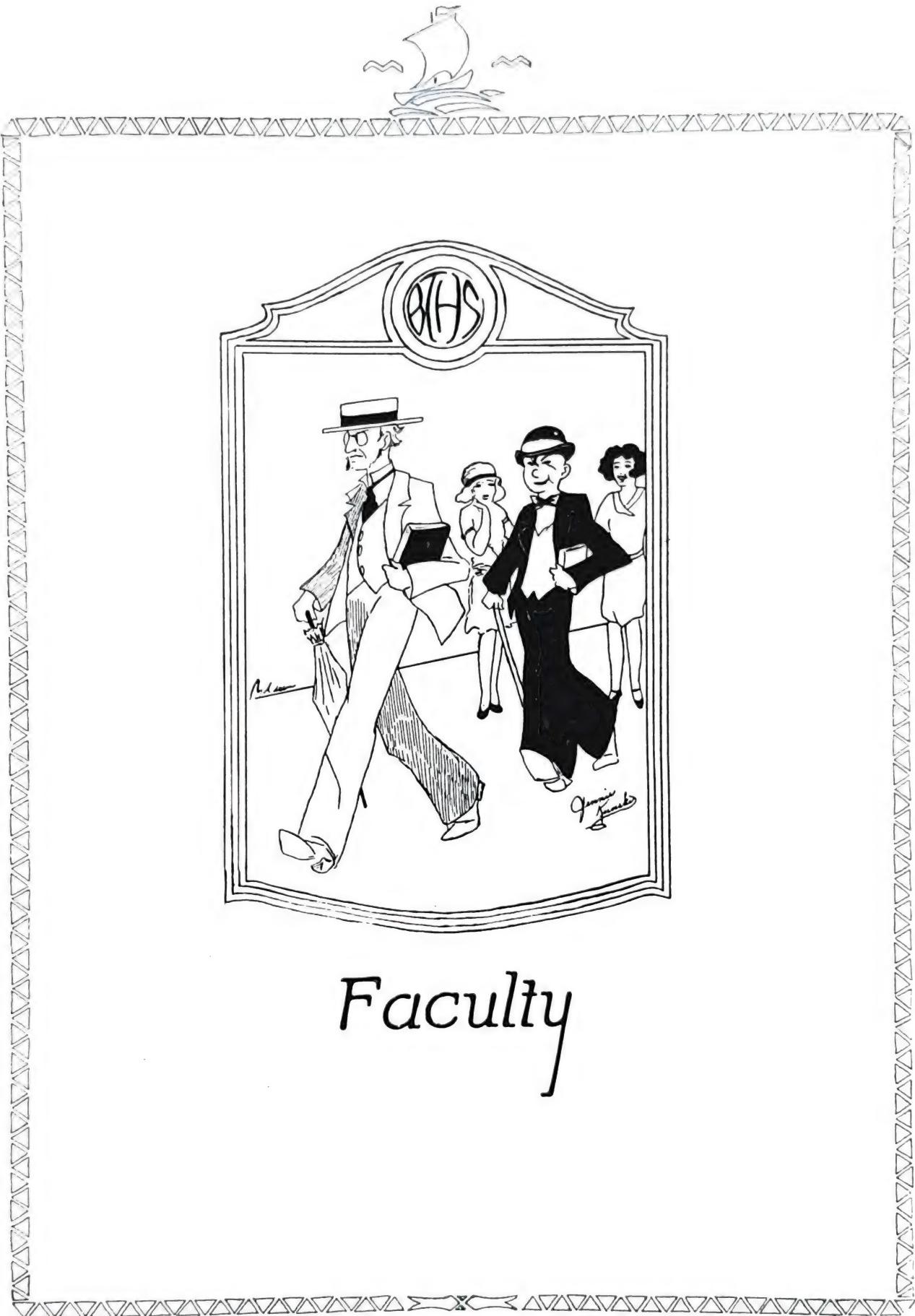


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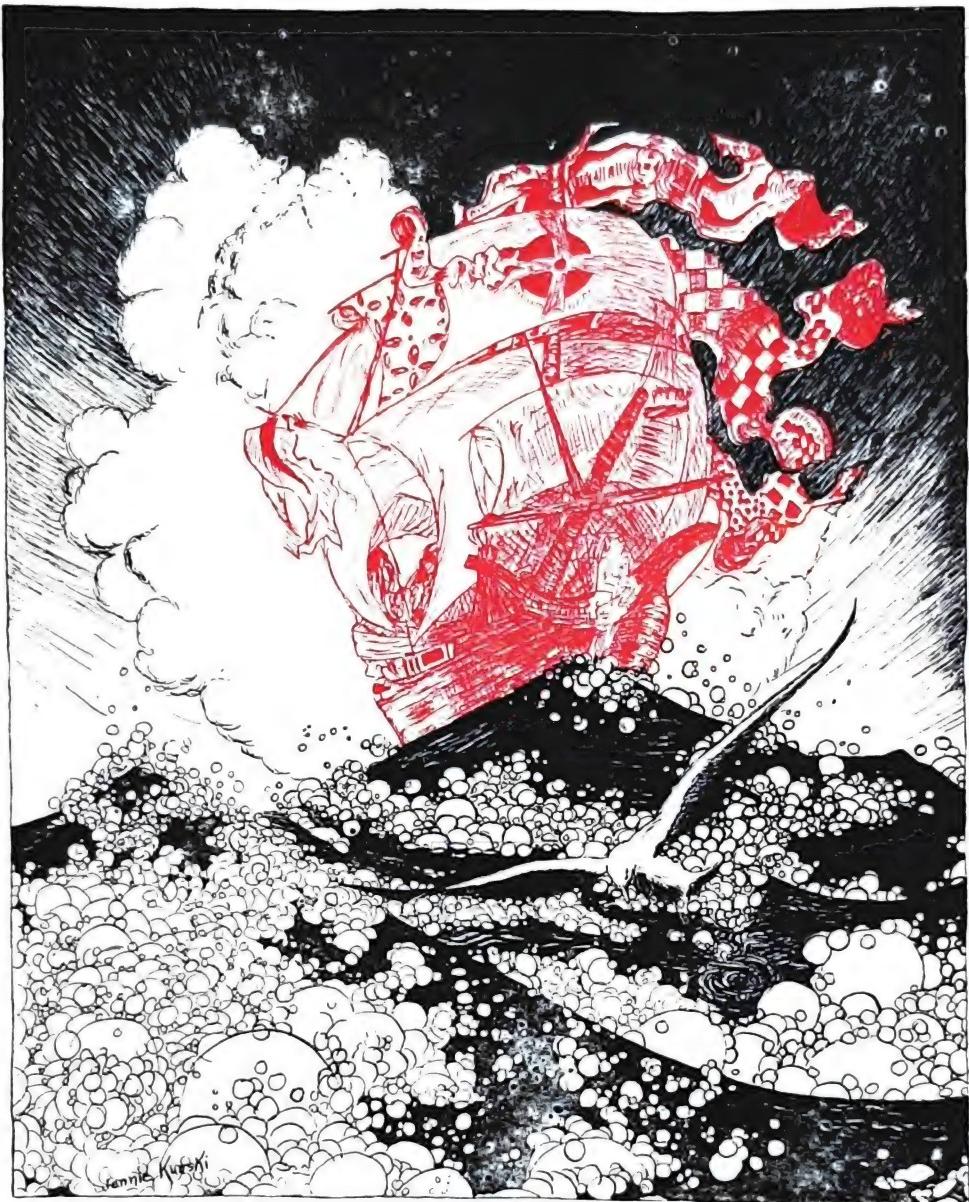
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# CLASSES

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## *Sponsors*



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Mr. Lemmer





**Leona Phillips**

G. A. A. 2; Orchestra 2; Hi-Tri 4;  
Dramatic Club 4.

**Helen L. Bauer**

Campfire 1, 2; Home Economics 2,  
3, 4; Hi-Tri.

**Albert E. Brandhorst**

Basketball; Thompsonville

**Paul Kraft**

Hi-Y 2, 3, 4.

**Virginia Eskew**

Home Economic Club 1; G. A. A.  
1, 2, 3; Campfire 2, 3; Hi-Tri 4.

**Ruth Hodge**

G. A. A. 1, 2, 3; Home Ec Club 1, 2,  
3; Campfire 1, 2; Hi-Tri 4; Junior  
Play; Stage and Stammer 4; Echo 3.

**Grace J. Page**

Hi-Tri

**Stanley C. Hess**

Debate Club 1, 2, 4; Track 2, 3, 4;  
Hi-Y 3, 4; Student Council 4.





**Leonard Dillon**  
Glee Club 1, 2; Football 2, 3, 4.

**Ernestine Jones**  
Campfire 2, 3; Hi-Tri 4.

**Rhea Boswell**  
Chorus 1, 2; Glee Club 3; Home Ec Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Dramatic Club 3; Hi-Tri 4.

**W. Howard Stoffel**

**Anna Fay Eskew**  
Campfire 2, 3; Hi-Tri.

**Thirman H. H. Fray**

Debate Club 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 1, 2, ; Echo 1, 2; French Club 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Scarab Staff 4; Student Council 4; Class Officer 3; Class President 2; Cheer Leader 2; Tennis Club 2; Basketball 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Football Captain 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; National Athletic Scholarship Society.

**Paul House**

**Marie Ahlfield**  
French Club 4. Hi-Tri.





**Russel Q. Stark**  
Agriculture Club.

**Jama Marie Joplin**  
Girls Glee Club 2, 3; Hi-Tri 4; Home Economics Club 3.

**James M. Miller**  
Football 1, 2, 3, 4. Basketball 4. Ag. Club.

**Fred G. Moore**

**Tullio F. Dallape**

**Edith L. Watwood**  
Hi-Tri 4 Class Play 1, 3, Logan.

**Frederick W. Wlecke**  
Mount Vernon 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3;  
Junior Play; Senior Play; Stage and Stammer 4;

**Kenneth Williams**  
Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Echo 4; Stage and Stammer 4.





**Ralph C. Bain**

Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Scarab Staff 4; Debate Club 4; National Athletic Scholarship Society.

**Ernest E. Gower**

Latin Club 1, 2; Hi-Y 4; Debate Club 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Stage and Stammer 4.

**Harriet E. Layman**

Debate Club 1, 2; Latin Club 1, 2; Hi-Tri 4; Campfire 1, 3; Junior Play; Stage and Stammer 4; Class Vice-President 2, 4.

**Charles H. St. Clair**

Latin Club 1; Class Basketball 2, 3; Basketball League 4; Senior Play; Track 3; Class President 4.

**Charles H. Robinson**

Band 1, 2, 4; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1; Sec. Treasurer 2; Junior Play.

**Helen Webb**

Campfire 1, 2, 3; Hi-Tri 4; Debate Club 2, 3.

**Lowell R. McConnel**

Latin Club 1; Junior Play 3; Stage and Stammer 4; Class President 1, 3; Tennis Club 3.

**Frieda Lewis**

Campfire 1, 2, 3; Hi-Tri Counsel 4; Senior Play; Opperetta 2; Dramatic Club 4.





**Jack Stewart**

Latin Club 1, 2; Debate Club 4; Senior Play; Class Secretary 4; Hi-Y Club 2, 3, 4; Operettas 2, 3.

**Virginia Hartkopt**

G. A. A. 3, 4; Campfire 3; Hi-Tri 4.

**Rex D. Estes**

Senior Play; Dramatic Club; Latin Club; Band 1.

**Sadie P. Harrison**

G. A. A. 2, 3, 4. Home Economics 2, 3; Hi-Tri 4.

**Ella G. Pederson**

G. A. A. 2; Home Economics 4; Volley Ball 2; Hi-Tri 4.

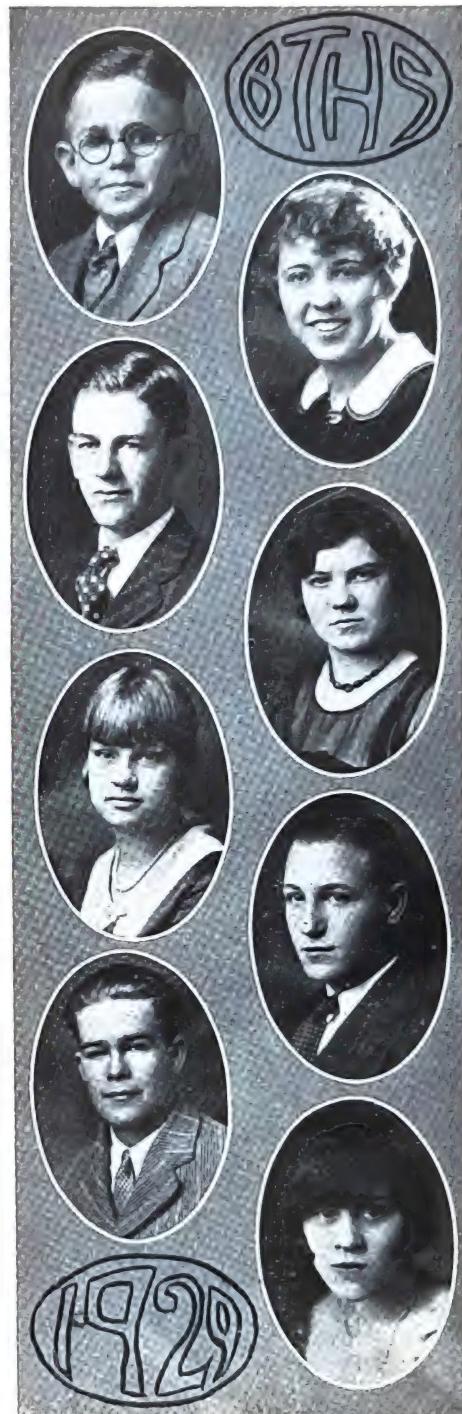
**Everett Burgess**

**Loran Miller**

Dramatic Club 4; Senior Play 4.

**Isabel Yakubinis**

G. A. A. 1, 2 3; Hi-Tri 4.





**Hall Dalby**

**Dorothy Blair**

Girls Quartet 3,4; French 4; Hi-Tri 4.

**Genevive Rea**

Campfire 1,2,3; Home Ec Club 1,2;  
Hi-Tri 4; Operettas 2, 3, 4; Glee Club  
1, 2, 3.

**Leo Johnson**

Debate Club; Echo Staff; Dramatic Club.

**Lorene Lovan**

Home Economics 2; Campfire 3; Hi-Tri 4.

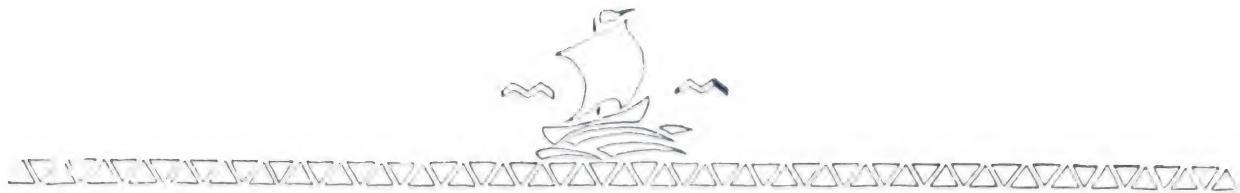
**Leo C. Mathis**

**Elsie M. Dale**

Hi-Tri.

**Ralph Conover**





**Imogene D. Conner**

Campfire ; G. A. A. ; Latin Club ; Hi-Tri ; Junior play ; Operetta 1; Stage and Stammer 4.

**Martha Kuizen**

Hi-Tri 4.

**Reginald Wilson**

**Kathleen Bellamy**

Home Ec Club 1; Campfire 1, 2, 3; Debate Club 2, 3; Junior Play; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 1; Hi-Tri 4.

**Mildred Reed**

Campfire 1, 2' 3; Latin Club 2; Class Sec'y-Treas. 1; Stage and Stammer 4; Debate Club 2; Echo 2.

**Warner H. Williams**

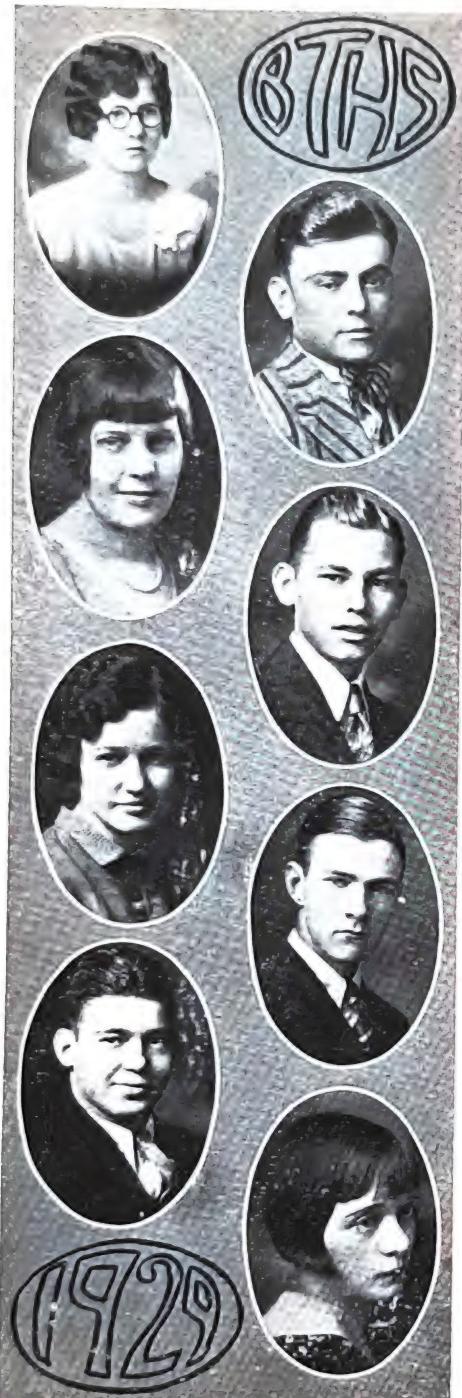
Football 2, 3, 4.

**Daisy Parkhill**

Hi Tri 4; Home Economics 3, 4. Campfire 2, 3. French Club 4.

**James Evan House**





**Elizabeth Payne**  
Hi-Tri 4; Play, Ewing, Soph. Pres.

**Cameron W. Miller**  
Football 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2; Band 3, 4;  
League Basketball 1, 2, 4.

**Georgia Ward**  
Glee Club 1, 2; Operettas; Hi-Tri 4.

**Wilbur E. Lifscomb**  
Cheer Leader 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4;  
Stage and Stammer 4; Pep Club 4.

**Beulah Braden**  
Home Economic Club 1; G. A. A. 1, 2,  
3; Campfire 2, 3; Hi-Tri 4.

**Carl Cunningham**  
Track 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 4; Cross  
Country 4; Hi-Y 4.

**Thomas F. Williams**  
Band 3; Football 3.

**Carmen C. Jordan**  
Hi-Tri Council 4.



**Helen Elizabeth Duppe**

Wohelo Campfire; Latin Club; Scarab Staff 2; Debating Club; Junior Play, Stage and Stammer; Hi-Tri.

**Ralph S. Uhles**

Football 4.

**Robert V. Minier**

**Margaret R. Ruth**

Junior Play; Campfire; Dramatic Club; Latin Club; Hi-Tri Cabinet.

**Ethel May McNeal**

French Club 4; Hi-Tri 4.

**J. Aubrey Kirk**

Orchestra; Band; Basketball.

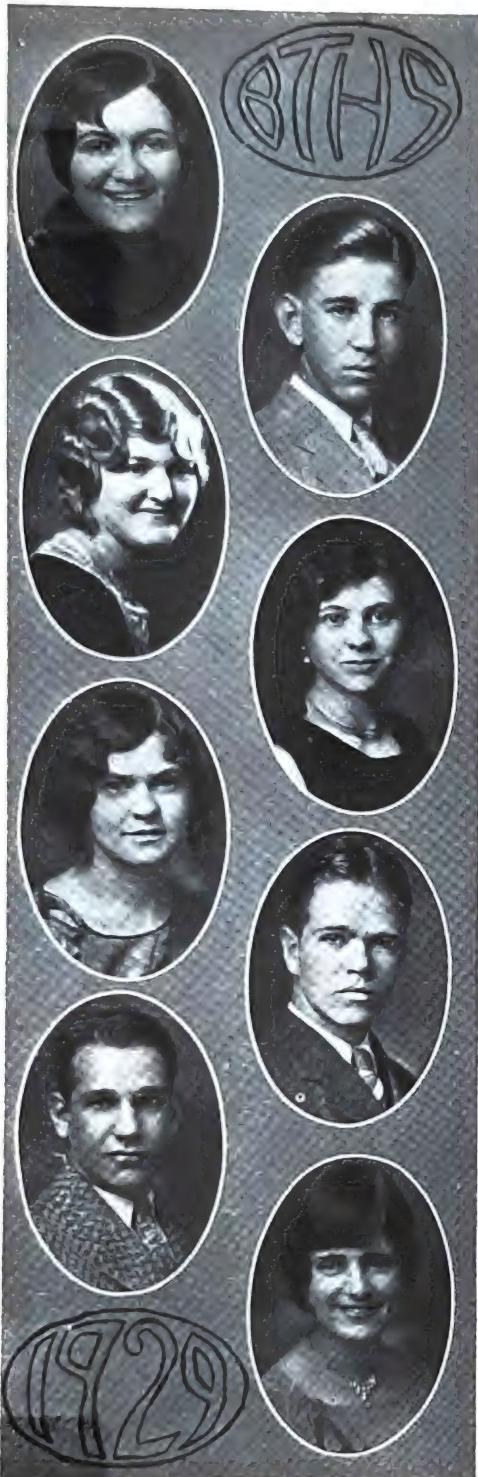
**Gertrude S. Flach**

Hi-Tri.

**Leona Cole**

Play Cast 1, 2, 3; Girls Glee Club 3.





**Genevieve R. Frye**

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**Lowell Hutchcraft**

League Basketball 3, 4.

**Veneta Rhodes**

Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Hi-Tri 4; Debating Club; Latin Club 1, 2; Junior Play; Home Economics.

**Susie R. Williamson**

Debate Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Home Ec Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Hi-Tri 4; Baseball 1, 2; Volleyball 1, 3.

**Lena Bell**

Hi-Tri 4; Class Play 1, 3; Logan.

**James E. Dillon**

**James C. Foulk**

Latin Club 1; Class Basketball 2; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Tennis 3, 4.

**Mary E. Etherton**

Campfire 1, 2, 3; Hi-Tri 4; Debate Club 2, 3; Junior Play; Senior Play; French Club 3, 4.





#### **Ormond V. Robinson**

Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Operetta 2; Quartette 2, 3; Soloist 2, 3.

#### **Ruth Warren**

Glee Club 1, 2 Campfire 1, 2, 3; Debate Club 1; Stage and Stammer 4; Scarab Staff 4; Junior Play; Hi-Tri President 4; Operetta 1, 2.

#### **Jean Teague**

Campfire 2, 3; Hi-Tri 4; Senior Play; Scarab Staff; Dramatic Club.

#### **William R. Gilmore**

Latin Club 1; Scarab Staff 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 3; Class Officer 1.

#### **Mary Eleanor Helm**

Campfire 1, 2, 3; Orchestra 4, Debate Club 1, 2, 3; Stage and Stammer 4; Hi-Tri 4; Scarab Staff 4.

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Track 3, 4; Basketball 3; Scarab Staff 4; National Athletic Scholarship Society.

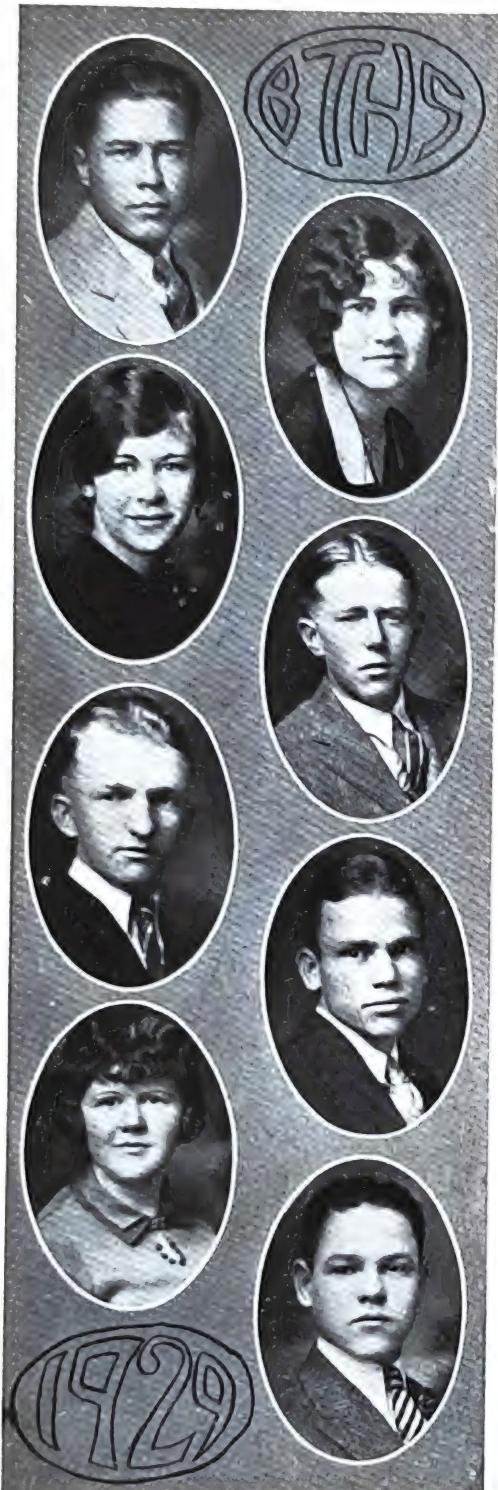
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Latin Club 1, 2; Junior Play; Stage and Stammer; Orchestra 1, 2; Cross Country 4; Class Sec'y-Treas. 3; Tennis Club 3.

#### **Lucille Rea**

Hi-Tri Council 4; Campfire 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 1, 2; Debate Club 2, 3; Stage and Stammer 4; Class Treasurer.





**Herchal James Phillips**  
Glee Club 2, 3; Track 3.

**Alma Whittington**  
Hi-Tri.

**Helen M. Ross**  
Campfire 1, 2; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3; Home Ec. Club 1, 2; French Club 3; Junior Play; Operetta 1; Stage and Stammer 4; Hi-Tri 4.

**Noble Richard Duncan**

**Wilfred J. Pearce**  
Latin Club 1, 2; Senior Play; Debate Club 4; Stage and Stammer 4; Tennis Club 3, 4.

**Albert Cook**  
Track 1, 3; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4.

**Emma Waller**  
Campfire, Home Economics, Glee Club.

**Ralph E. Sudes**  
Latin Club 1; Freshman Play.





**Joe Robert Eovaldi**

Scarab 4; Latin Club 1.

**Walter Clifford Bell**

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**Ruby Adams**

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**Claude King**

**Nellie G. Morris**

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**Beulah B. Neal**

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**Lucille Dillon**

G. A. A. 1, 2; Operetta 1, 2; French Club 4; Senior Play; Hi-Tri 4; Stage and Stammer 4; Glee Club 1, 3, 4.

**Joe B. Hochman**

Plays.





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**Pearl G. Miller**  
Hi-Tri 4.

**Herbert L. House**  
French Club 4.

**Ralph Loren Upchurch**

**Lela Odle**  
Thompsonville 1, 2, 3; V.P. Junior  
Class; Hi-Tri 4.

**Dorothy E. Kinkade**  
Debating Club 1, 2, 3; Hi-Tri 4.

**Bill Phillips**  
Ag. Club 3; Football 3, 4; Echo Staff  
3; Scarab Staff 4; Junior Play.

**Ethred Kern**  
Latin Club 1; Class Basketball 2, 3;  
League Basketball 4.





## Class History

On the first day of September, 1925, two-hundred and twenty-six Freshmen entered the Benton Township High School. At our first class meeting we elected the following officers; Lowell McConnell, president; Bill Gilmore, vice-president; Mildred Reed, secretary, treasurer; Miss Colcord and Miss Whitmer, class advisors. On October sixteenth we entertained ourselves with a Halloween party in the gymnasium, which was artistically decorated in orange and black. The first day of Education Week our class furnished the program for the visitors. The boys gave a dramatization of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

In September, 1926, there were one hundred and seventy nine sophomores in our class. Our officers were; Thirman Fray, president; Harriet Layman, vice-president; Charles Robinson, secretary-treasurer; Helen E. Duppe, Editor; Miss Colcord and Miss Herschbach advisors. Gold and white were chosen class colors. This year a new idea was introduced to develop our intellectual ability and to train students for the Little Ten Conference held in the spring. Every two weeks inter-class contests were given. In these intellectual contests the sophomores ranked first and in basketball, we did likewise. This shows that we were exceptionally well represented in both intellectual and athletic activities.

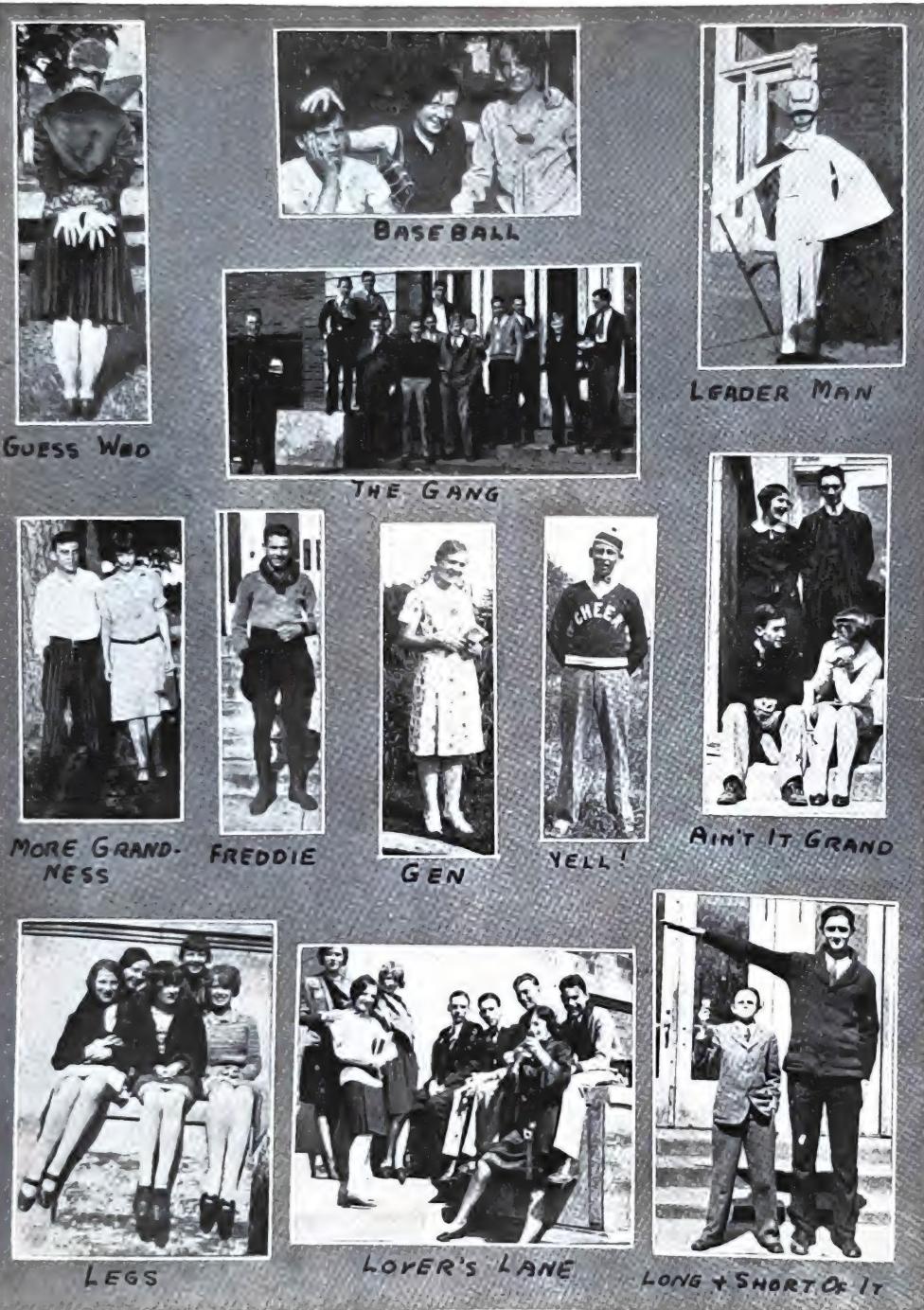
In the following year 1927, there were one hundred forty two in our Junior class the following officers were chosen: Lowell McConnell, president; Thirman Fray, vice-president; John Monroe, secretary-treasurer. In May of this year we entertained members of Senior Class and the faculty at a banquet, given at the First Baptist Church. The banquet hall was beautifully decorated in the class colors of gold and white. Later in the same month, the Juniors and Seniors entertained themselves with a dance at the Benton Country Club, which was a grand success.

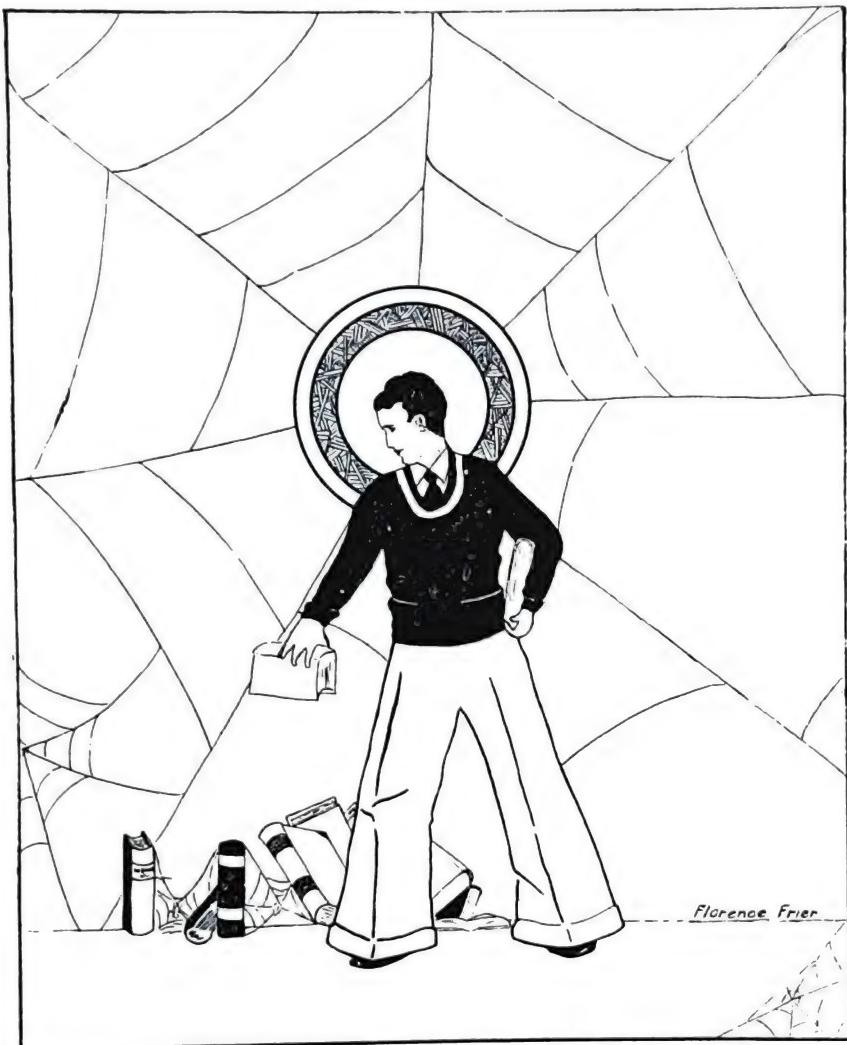
One of the big events in the career of the Junior class was the presentation of the class play. A cast of about twenty persons entertained the public with "Help Yourself." This play was a success financially as well as the production of the comedy.

Another year and the Senior Class has one hundred twenty one members with the following officers; Charles St. Clair, president; Harriet Layman, vice-president; and Lucille Rea, treasurer; Jack Stewart, secretary.

The Seniors produced "The Goose Hangs High." It was the story of Christmas Holidays intermingled with college life. It was very well given and was a success in every respect.







# JUNIORS



## *Junior Officers*



## *Sponsors*



Miss Burkhart



Miss Blackard





**Nema Claire Crouch**

**James Dobry**

**Pauline Davis**

**Lily Pagani**

**Geraldine Harrelson**

**Hilma Robertson**

**Clarence Ruemmler**

**Hazel Dollins**

**Josephine Waller**

**Randall Scarabough**

**Irwin Coltrin**

**Lorraine Ludwig**





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Mary G. Hake

Freeda Mundell

George Staudt

Dorothy Seeber

Dorothy Joyner

Elliot Mc Reynolds

Helen Williams

George Moore

Maxine Musgrave

Helen Mumbower





Ruth Lewis

Carrol Payne

Celia Kunski

Ford Lipscomb

Dorothy Moore

Josephine Welsh

Edna Todd

Ed Neal

Dorothy Page

Helen Dollins

Vera Britton

Virginia Harris





**Emma Mundell**

**Josephine Eovaldia**

**Lois Whittaker**

**Helen Midyet**

**Webb Johnson**

**Helen Jones**

**Doris Runnels**

**Charles Duncan**

**Freda Pirtle**

**Cornelia Frier**

**Ruby Stewart**

**Edna Pearce**





Ruth Seeber

Robert Rotramel

Wanda Wills

Wilma Isaacs

George Runnels

Alene Baldwin

Edith Cutty

Martin Webb

Rita Broughton

Vennie Nangle

Harold Mercer

Virginia House





**Violet Simmons**

**Lovell Easley**

**Oradell Taylor**

**Ruth Winberly**

**Bennard Williamson**

**Helen Warner**

**Wendell Williams**

**Anna Smith**

**Lola Lee**

**Virginia Browning**

**Elmer Brown**

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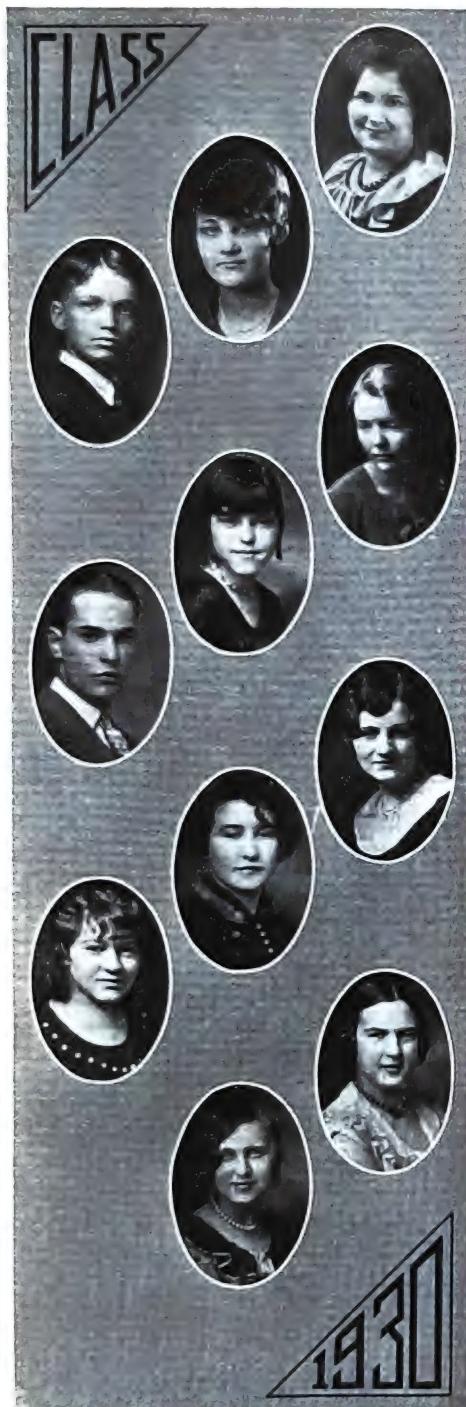
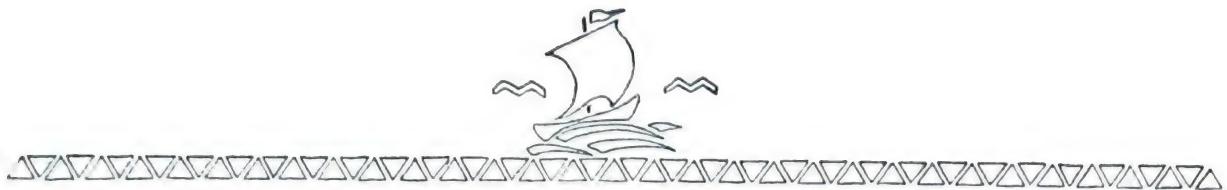
Leah Pyle

Helen Sanders

Mary Lipscomb

Thomas Dixon





**Lizzie McColum**

**Charlotte Aiken**

**Devoe Hill**

**Ruth Martin**

**Virginia Morris**

**Dallas Kern**

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**Angeline Clocatto**

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**Mary Minier**

**Helen Little**





## *Junior Class History*

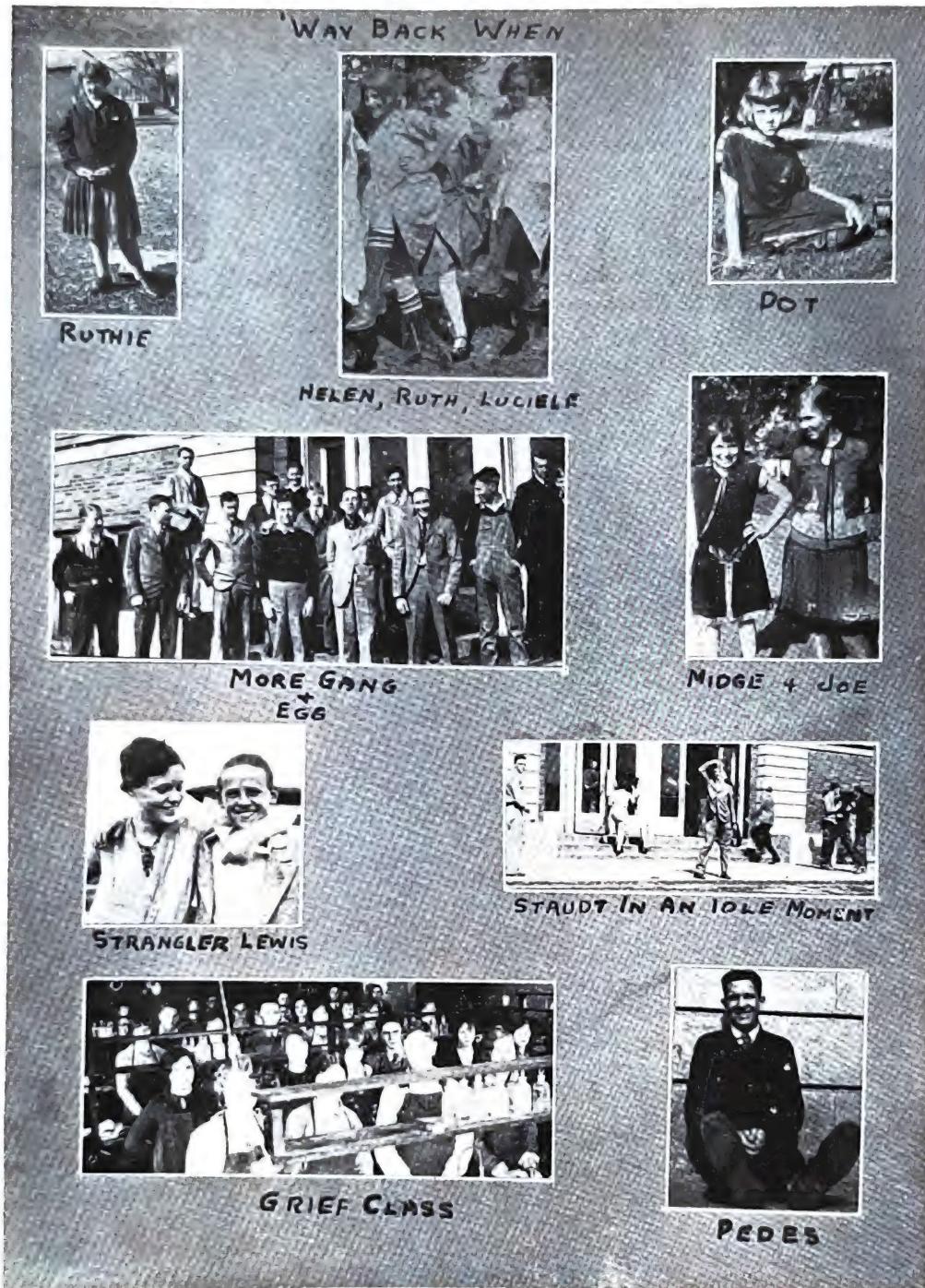
The Class of 1930 entered B. T. H. S. the first of September, 1926 with an enrollment of 287. At our first class meeting the following class advisors were elected: Mr. David McIntosh and Miss Virginia Brown. Winston Lewis was elected President, Wilmer Carr, Vice President, Lorraine Ludwig, Secretary-Treasurer. Our first activity was Armistice Day Home-Coming, when we marched in the parade and carried little green flags over our shoulders. We were the largest class represented in the Home-Coming. During the Halloween season we entertained with a Halloween party.

Our Sophomore year we elected Miss Brown and Miss Ditto class sponsors, James Dobry, President, Lorraine Ludwig, Vice-President, Martin Webb, Secretary-Treasurer. Our first entertainment for that year was a weiner roast at Sunnyside Club. Later in the year we held a party in the gym.

The present year B. T. H. S. used for the first time the Australian Ballot system for class elections. Several new offices, that of Echo Reporter and members to serve on the Student Council, were created. Miss Clara Blackard and Miss Ellen Burkhardt were elected class sponsors, George Moore was elected President, Webb Johnson, Vice President, Helen Williams, Treasurer, James Dobry, Secretary, Ford Lipscomb, Echo Reporter and Ruth Martin and John McAfoose were elected to the student council. We entertained with a party early in the season, which was held in the High School gymnasium.

The class of '30 has always been active in school activities, has had members on the football, basketball, track, and debating team and has shown themselves always ready to do their best to uphold the high standard of B. T. H. S.



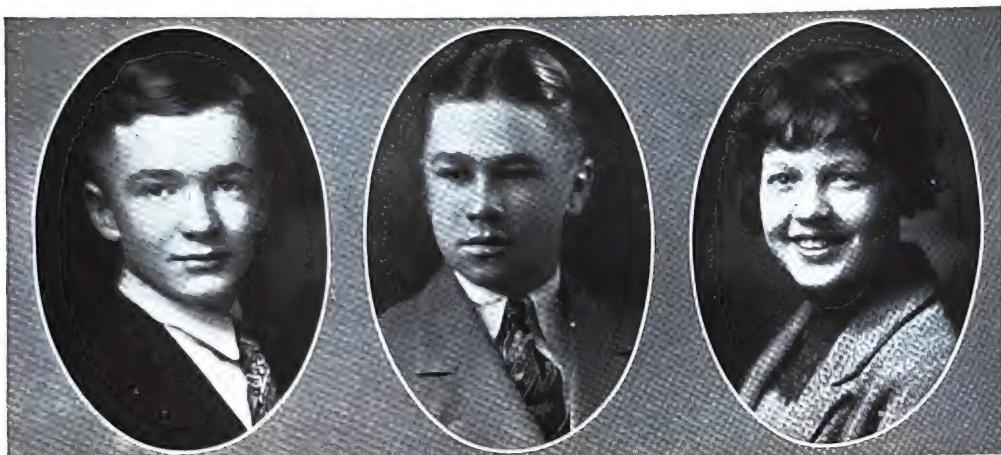




# SOPHOMORES



## *Sophomore Officers*



**Wayne Lewis,** Treasurer

**Golden McConnell,** President

**Oberia Conover,** Secretary

## *Sponsors*



**Miss Bramble**



**Mr. Douglas**

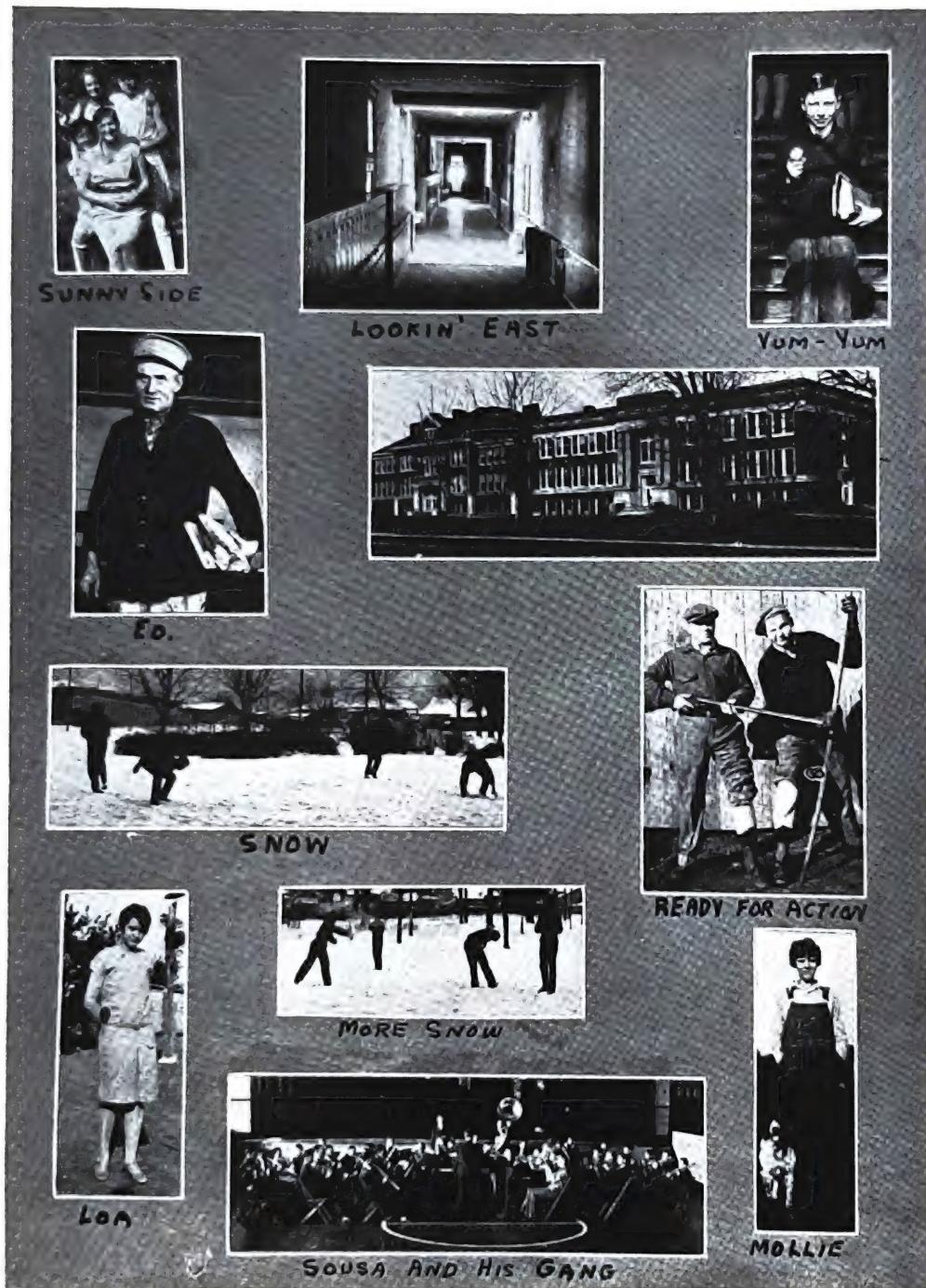




## Sophomore Class Roll

Bernice Abney	Albert Eskew	Burl Jones	Hazel Parrish	Evelyn Tayoir
Bianche Abney	Eleanor Etherton	Paul Jones	William Pate	LaVonne Taylor
H. M. Aiken, Jr.	Charles Eyman	George Kaspar	Icel Rotramel	Floe Terhune
Eva Lena Aiken	John Eyman	Mildred Kelley	Ed Payne	Lowell Tite
Wilma Allaway	Marietta Fitzgerrell	Jeanette King	Elizabeth Payne	Vlasta Trefny
Walter Alvis	Leonard Flach	Jennie Kunski	Russel Payne	Lillian Tucker
Margaret Andras	Jim Frailey	Tressa Kunski	Ruth Payne	Alleene Turner
Olie Armstrong	Redus Fulgham	Loyd Lasley	Thelma Payne	Randolph Walker
Margaret Bain	Nealie Gant	Doris Lawson	Ethe Phillips	Sallie Warren
Lindell Barnfield	Richard Gdes	Wayne Lewis	Kathryn Prindle	Walstina Warren
Paul Bell	Marie Glass	Effie Loucks	Myrtle Packett	Tony Wasileauskas
Louie Bertoni	Mildred Glick	Marie Ludwig	Claude Rea	Mildred Webb
Vera Britton	Virginia Glover	David Albert Lyon	Guy Reen	Jeanne Webster
Virginia Bryant	Virginia Grimes	Golden McConnell	Kenneth Reed	Helen Werner
John Bundy	Eddie Gryboski	Frank McEndree	Mozie Rhodes	Clyde Whaley
Loa Buntin	Claude Gunter	Inez McNeal	Carren Piee	Impi Sophie Wiiki
Jean Burkhardt	John Haithcoat	Mary Velora Malek	Paul Rice	Lee Wilkerson
Hillary C. Clark	A. D. Hall	Pauline Malone	R. De Robinson	Margaret Wilkerson
Ross Clayton	George Hargett	Ramon Malone	Ammon Roberson	Cline Williams
Cowana Cochrum	Katherine Hargrove	Frank Malpoker	Raymond Ruemmler	Ida Marie Williams
Katherine Collins	George Hargess	Vivian Mansell	Haggel Sanders	Joe Yakubinis
Cberia Conover	Virginia Harris	Seba Marshall	Harriet Settemour	Adolph Zwengel
Elvin Copeland	Heen Hartman	Ellen Martin	Hazel Shaw	
Carrie Mae Cox	Champ Hefner	John Matikitis	Charles Simkovick	
Jan Crawford	John Edmund Helm	Howard Miller	W. R. Simpson	
Neva Creemeens	Richard Hemphill	Pauline Miller	Virgil Skeen	
Hannah Da'e	Ernest Henry	Charles Mills	Joe Slupka	
Adolph Danks	William Hess	Mary Minier	Mildred Lee Smith	
Anna Deason	Shirley Hnes	Tressie Miriani	Oakley Smith	
Mary DeMattei	Marvin Hobbs	Carl Mooneyham	Georgia Sniderwin	
Juanita Dickey	Lucine Hochman	Elizabeth Moore	Alice Somers	
Wilma Dillon	Mary Hockgelger	Henry Morris	Clarence Somers	
Berling Doxsie	Laymon Hopkins	Mary Jane Neal	Hester Somers	
Evert Drake	Vincent Horning	Harold Norcross	W. diam Steiner	
Ein Drake	Dorothy Hudgens	John Novicki	Dwight Sullivan	
Mildred Dudley	Lscher Hungate	Marion Otterson	Delcris Summers	
Cloyd Duty	A fred Johnson	Wilma Overturf	Luther Summers	
Meritt Elliott	Gcda Johnson	Omer Owens	Dorothy Taylor	







# FRESHMEN



## *Freshmen Officers*



**Ida Kell**, Treasurer

**Claude Rhodes**, President

**Frank Malin**, Secretary

## *Sponsors*



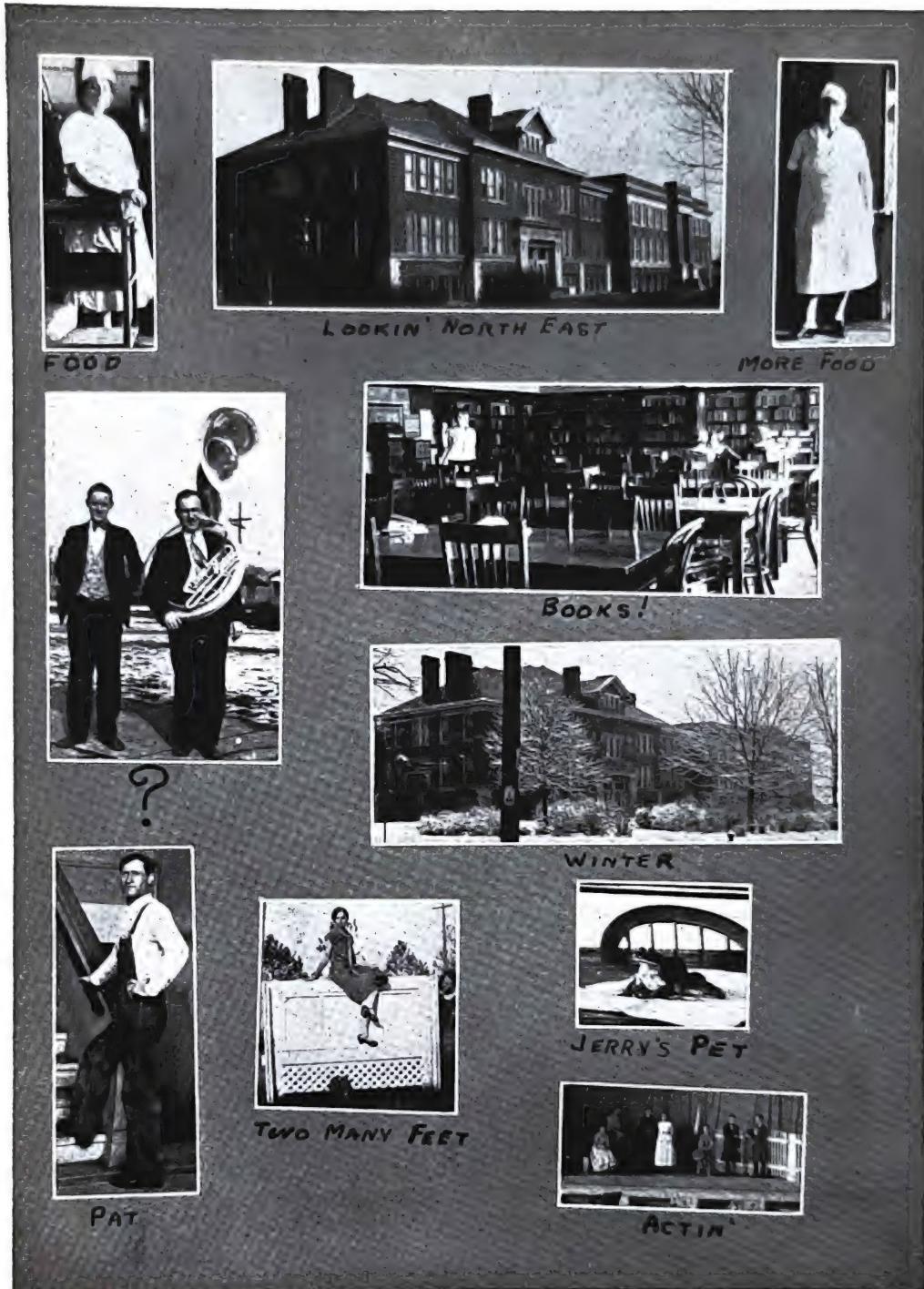
**Mrs. Blakey**      **Mr. Hargrove**







Arian Adams	Tanner Aichele	Vernon Lewis	Eleanor Logan	John Thomas
Donald Aiken	Cloe Alexander	Hubert Lowery	Grace Ludwig	Glen Thompson
Eugene Bain	Hazel Baldwin	Ruby Lyday	Louise McAllister	Ulyss Threewitt
Harvey Barnfield	Anna Baron	Evelyn McCarty	Ruth McGee	Vevia Threewitt
James Bissonet	Johnnie Borowski	Don McGlasson	Mildred McKay	James Towal
Troy Bowman	Dwight Boyles	Franklin Malin	Marie Mandrel	Jesse Treece
Harry Boyles	Raymond Branson	Ralph Mandrel	Virginia Mandrel	Euell True
Carl Britton	Evelyn Britton	Beulah Martin	Flora Martin	Sophie Truskoski
James Browning	Addison Brownlee	Mary Martin	Catherine Mason	Eugene Upchurch
Frederic Burkett	Howard Burkett	Mary Mason	Jewell Mayer	John Upchurch
Madge Carr	J. Dudley Carter	Jimmie Midgett	John Miglin	A. Varlashkin
Marion Clayton	Joseph Clinton	Tessie Mihalik	Brook Miller	Claudia Varlashkin
Dorris Crouch	George Davis	Earl Monen	Dorothy Moore	Rozia Lee Walker
Katie Dezino	Eudora Dickey	Helen Moore	Virginia Moore	Amy N. Warren
Ermal Dickinson	Joyce Dickinson	Theodore Mossman	Pearl Mumbower	Margaret Waskom
Claudia Dillon	Edith Dillon	Ruby Mundell	Allane Nance	Erma Watkins
Opal Dillon	Pauline Doty	Mary Neal	Roger Neal	Ethel Watson
Helen Draper	Stanley Dubonouski	Beth Newman	Helen Nowikowski	Aileen Webb
Charles Early	Lena Edwards	Joe Ostonik	Margaret Overturf	Carmen Webb
Wito Eskew	Robert Evans	Ada Owens	Claud Page	Daniel Webb
Velma Evans	Woodrow Ferral	Sdney Page	Allen Palmer	Kirby Webb
Curran Fields	Ray Fisher	Frank Payne	Percy Payne	Nealy Webber
Reta Fisher	Walter Fix	Ina Phillips	Mary Lee Phillips	Herbert Welch
Mabel Flach	Stella Fornal	Ward Phillips	Ronald Pickard	Lloyd West
Floyd Foster	Josephine Franklin	Opal Pirtle	Arretta Pittman	Ruth Whaley
Irene Gaither	Ruth Gammon	George Porter	Horace Potter	Leon Wheat
Lena Garavaglia	Lena Ghardini	Ruby Pyle	Thelma Randolph	Kenneth Whitaker
Howard Gibson	Christina Glass	Thomas Rea	Fred Reed	Virginia White
Bernice Glenn	Stanley Grens	Claude Rhodes	Ruth Rhodes	Ernestine Whittington
Genevieve Gunn	Gladys Gunter	John Rice	Norma Rice	Helen Whittington
Harry Gunter	Marjorie Haithcoat	Virginia Rice	James Richerson	Ethel Wiggs
Otis Harbins	Nannie Harmon	Wendell Robertson	Hosea Rogers	Maxine Wilhelm
Maud Harten	Gladys Hatchett	Virginia Ross	Elizabeth Sabo	Ralph Wilkerson
Marietta Head	Aron Hess	Frank Sanders	Wilbert Sciranko	Fern Williams
Carlton Hodge	Intha Hood	Kenneth Sears	Helen Shaw	Robert A. Williams
Brooke House	Gene House	Earvin Simpson	Herman Simpson	Vivian Williams
Mildred House	Omar House	Louise Simpson	Marie Slaton	Alline Williamson
Thomas House	Walter House	Pauline Slaton	Berylene Smith	Eugene Williford
Esther Hughes	Marie Hughes	Diana Smith	Evan Smith	Norma Wingo
Everett Hungate	Carl Jacobs	Gertrude Smith	Goldie Smith	Vernon Wingo
Fred Jenkins	Gerald Jewell	Harold Smith	Herbert Smith	Aillen Wintz
Harold Johnson	Laurabelle Johnson	Hercel Smith	Kathryn Smith	Richard Wittenborn
Robert Johnson	Ruth Johnson	Lee Smith	Lewis Smith	Bobby Wlecke
Clarence Jones	Hazel Jones	Marie Smith	Evelyn Smothers	Delia Wyskiel
James Jones	Juanita Jones	Lee Smothers	Edith Stark	Virginia Young
Loretta Jones	Vashti Jones	Mike Stelbosky	Clyde Stewart	William Young
Wayne Jones	Jean Joseph	Robert Stiley	Ester Stockton	Lorene Foster
Ida Kell	Dorrel Korn	Fred Suddes	James Sullens	
Eldon Kern	Charles Kinkade	Kenneth Summers	Urmel Summers	
Aileen Kirk	Ferrell Kirk	Vallie Lee Summers	June Talley	
Jane Kirsch	Frances Kuizen	Tony Tamulonis	Ruby Tate	
Daniel Kurkiewicz	Marguerite Lasley	Donald Taylor	Lawrence Taylor	
Genevieve Launius	Marvin Lawson	Lucille Taylor	Henry Thomann	





## Flag Raising



Pole given by Class of 1928



“Ed”

“Pat”



*The*  
*Logan Branch*  
]  
*of*  
*B. T. H. S.*  
*Faculty*

**Mr. Ing**

**Mrs. Roberson**



*Juniors*



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*Sophomores*



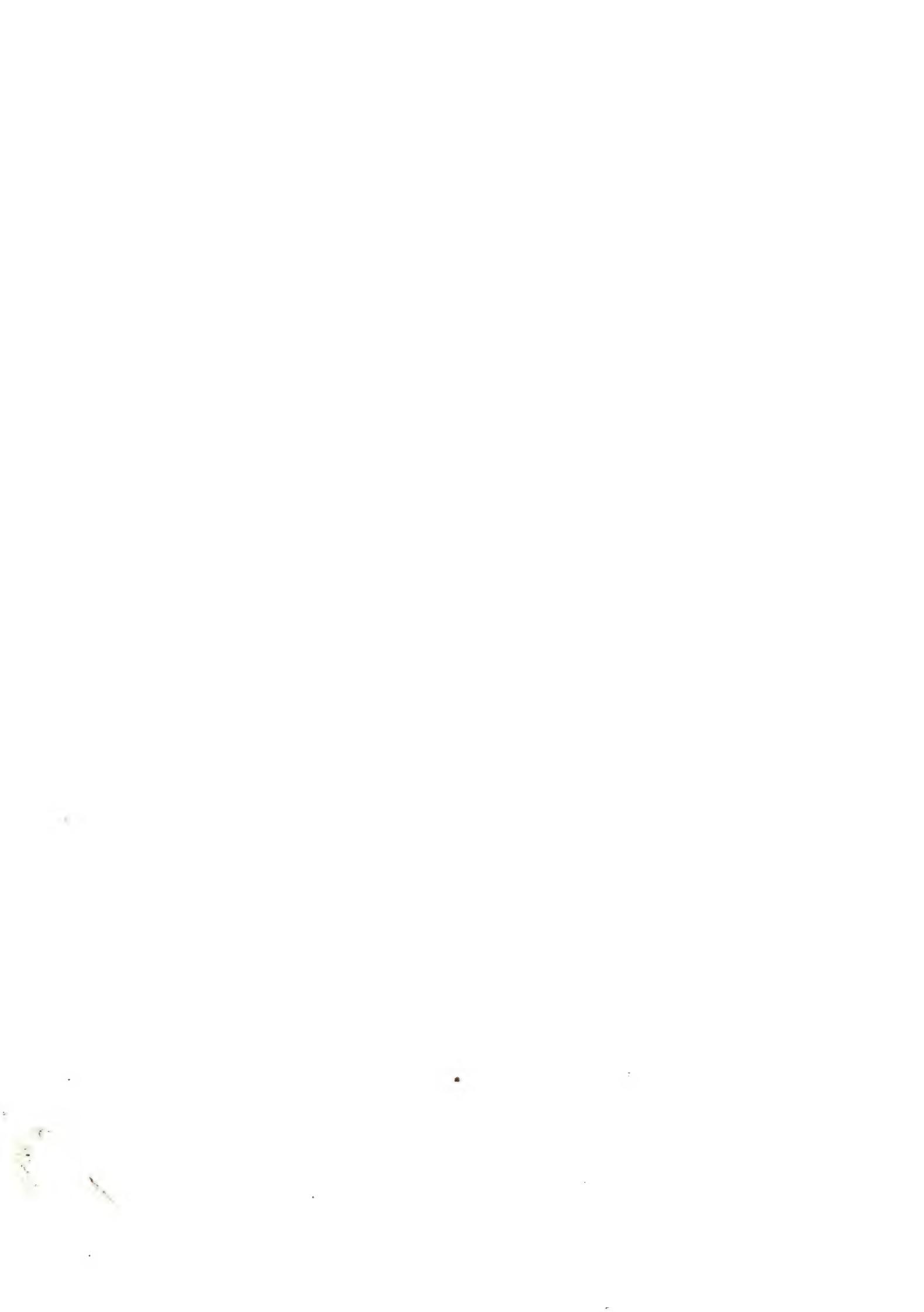
*Freshmen*





# ATHLETICS

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## *Head Coach*



“Tabe”

## *Captains*



**Thirman Fray, Football      Barney Munday, Basketball      Carl Manis, Basketball**





## Athletic Managers



"Chuck" Mills

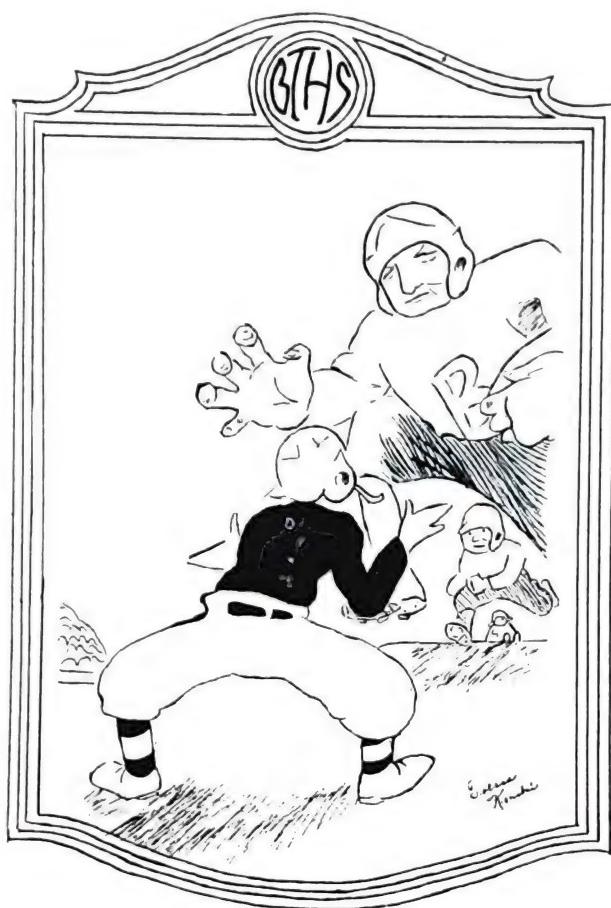
Jean Burkhardt



"Lippy"

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# Football



Rea, Tackle

Duncan, End

Miller, Guard

Phillips, Tackle

## Benton vs. Johnston City

The local eleven ventured to Johnston City for the opening game of the 1928 football season. Johnston expected to defeat the Tabormen but they received a surprise in the first quarter. The Rangers were able to pile up two touchdowns in the first half. One extra point was made by a kick. The half ended 13-0. Tabor made several substitutions. Neither side scored in the last half and the game ended with a victory for Benton.

## Benton vs. Centralia

Centralia came to Benton, October 18, with high expectations of a victory. The visitors tied for the 1927 Championship. Having lost only four men they believed that they could easily win. The local eleven went into the game with determination and were able to hold the flashy Centralia eleven. The Rangers opened holes in the opposing line and drove through for three touchdowns. The tries for extra points failed. The game ended 18-0, a second victory for Benton.



Gilmore Carries Ball





**Eskew, Quarterback      Capt. Fray, Halfback      Williams, Tackle      Black, Utility**

## *Benton vs. Marion*

The Rangers went to Marion for their first Conference game. Marion had a strong, fast crew. The Taborman, however, were keyed up for a hard fight and their fast developing line proved to be a stone wall to the Marion offensive. In the second quarter Benton scored a touchdown and kicked a goal for the extra point. In the same quarter the locals scored another six points. In the final period Marion staged a come-back carrying the ball to Benton's five yard line. The Rangers tightened down and ruined Marion's hopes for a touchdown. The final whistle blew with a 13-0 victory for Benton.

## *Benton vs. Murphysboro*

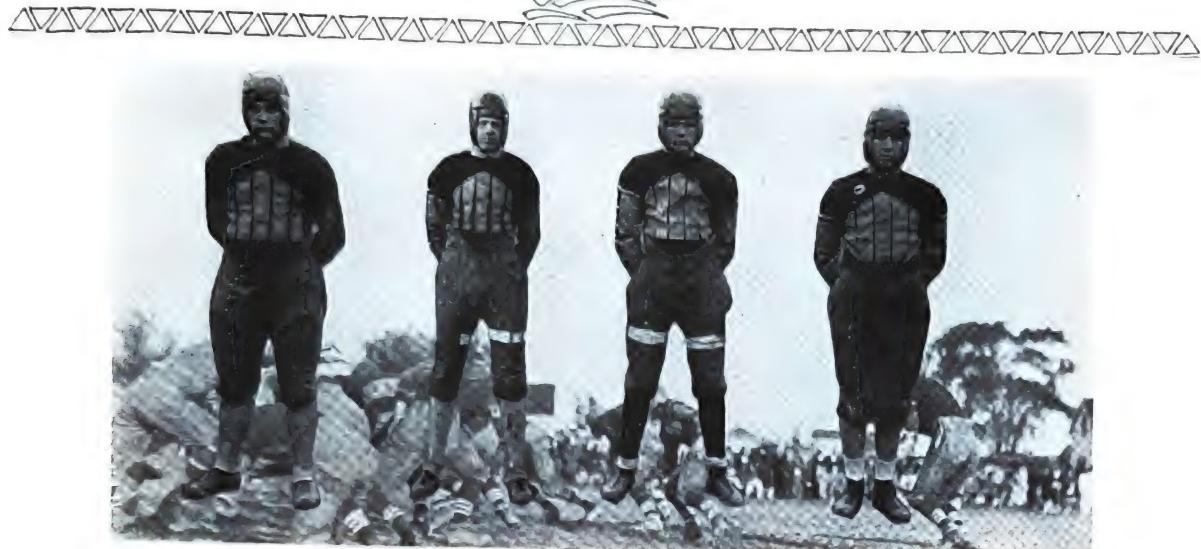
The Murphysboro eleven came to Benton with a highly touted lineup. Murphysboro defeated Benton 13-0 last year and won the little ten conference.

The visitors resorted to the forward pass from the start. The locals were able to stop most of their passes and nearly all of their line plays. The Rangers were superior to the Murphy eleven in every phase of the game. The half saw Benton leading 19-0.



*Uhles Hits Line*





**Malone, Tackle      Manis, End      Waller, End      Owen, Utility**

In the second half Tabor began to substitute and before the game ended, every man on the bench had seen service. Murphysboro scored in the final period. The whistle gave Benton a 44-6 victory.

## Benton vs. Carbondale

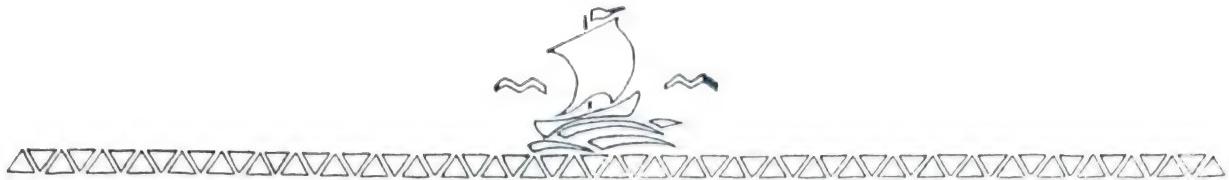
The Red Rangers journeyed to Carbondale on November 3. The Carbondale eleven were expected to put up a dangerous battle. The Tabormen ran true to form and scored a touchdown in the first quarter. In the early part of the second quarter Benton scored again in the remaining part of the same quarter Carbondale had possession of the ball and in a series of end runs advanced to Benton's one yard line. The Rangers formed an impenetrable line and held the opposition to four downs. The half ended 13-0 in Benton's favor. In the second half Benton scored again. The rest of the game was in Benton's favor and the third Conference game ended 19-0 in favor of the Home Team.

## Benton vs. Herrin

The Herrin Eleven came to Benton November 11, for their annual Armistice day game.



*Eskew Kicks Field-Goal*



**Alvis, Utility      Runnels, Center      Gilmore, Halfback      Uhles, Fullback**

Benton kicked off to Herrin who took the ball down the field on a series of line plays for a touchdown. The visitors had a fast, weighty backfield and the first quarter looked like a victory for Herrin. The Rangers determined to avenge this upset and marched through the Lucky Tigers for a fourth Conference victory of 25-6.

## *Benton vs. Harrisburg*

The strong Harrisburg eleven ventured to Benton, November 17, for the first time in three years. Harrisburg promised to be a team having lost only one game this season to West Frankfort. The game was played in a sea of mud. Neither team was able to advance the ball any great distance. The Harrisburg back field was unable to pierce the local line. The Tabormen recovered a fumbled punt in the third period and were able to plunge through for a touchdown. The game ended with a 6-0 victory for the locals.



*Hardface Boots the Pigskin*





Henry, End    Dillon, Guard    Foulk, Utility    Shaw, Utility

## Benton vs. West Frankfort

The Rangers made their final trip of the season to West Frankfort for their annual turkey-day combat.

The Red Birds were confident of a victory having defeated all their opponents by top-heavy scores.

The locals went into the game the "Underdogs".

The field was a sea of mud which made it anybody's game. Benton recovered a blocked punt in the first quarter which netted the meager sum of 2 points. The locals held the Red Birds in dangerous territory most of the game. Fumbles were frequent with both teams. The Red Birds were able to gain around the ends but not enough to get near the scoring zone. The 2 points for Benton began to look larger as the game wore on. Finally in the early part of the final period the locals recovered a fumble near the goal line and were able to plunge it over. The try for extra point was successful and the game ended 9-0 for Benton and a conference championship.



*The Captain Tears Through*





## 1928 Undefeated Football Squad



Benton	13
Benton	18
Benton	13
Benton	44
Benton	19
Benton	25
Benton	6
Benton	9
B. T. H. S.	147

Johnston City	0
Centralia	0
Marion	0
Murphysboro	6
Carbondale	0
Herrin	6
Harrisburg	0
West Frankfort	0
Opponents	12

After the Big Seven football schedule was finished, the representative, of the different schools met and selected two All Conference Elevens. Benton placed four men on the first mythical team. Captain Fray was placed at left halfback, Capt-elect Rea at right tac-

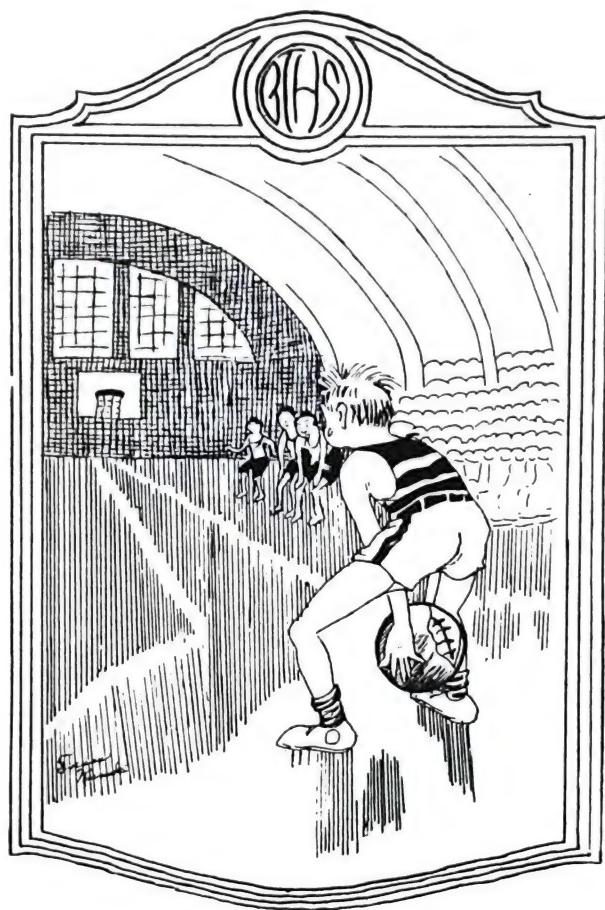


**Big Seven Trophy**

kle, Runnels at center and Gilmore at quarter back. On the second team Williams of Benton was placed at right guard. Those gaining honorable mention were Miller and Henry, ends, Malone, tackle, and Duncan, guard.







# Basketball



**“Dead Eye” Munday, Forward**

**“Ernie” Henry, Guard**

**Conference Games**

**“Droupy” Manis, Center**

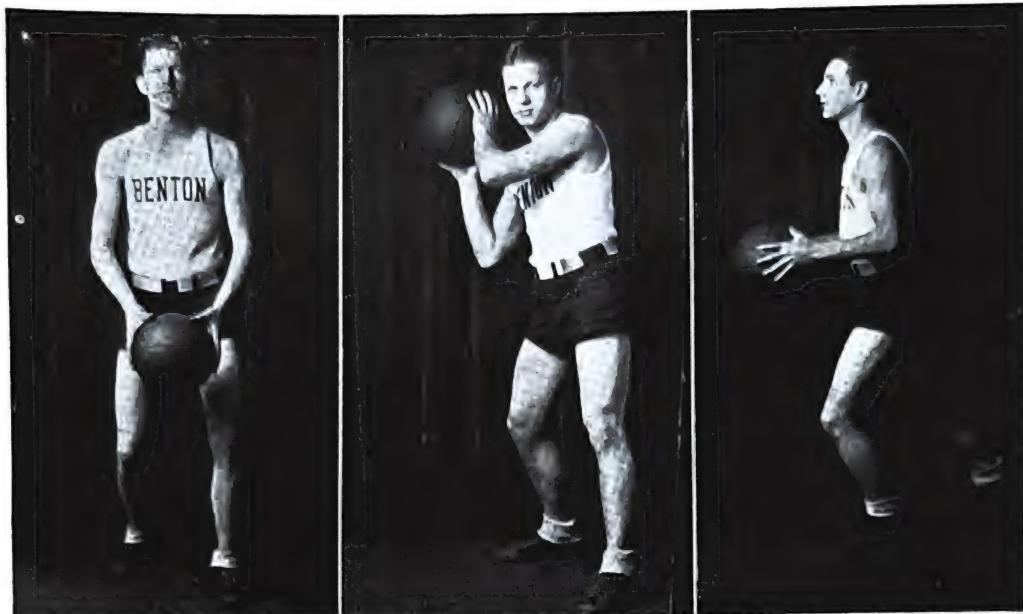
Benton 19  
Benton 17  
Benton 14  
Benton 38  
Benton 35  
Benton 36  
Benton 17  
Benton 19

Marion 21  
Harrisburg 20  
West Frankfort 17  
Herrin 18  
Carbondale 11  
Murphysboro 6  
Marion 14  
West Frankfort 10



*Over Hard Face's Head*





**"Stretch" Wilkerson, Forward**

Benton 16  
Benton 32  
Benton 14  
Benton 16

**"Hardface" Eskew, Guard**

Benton 34  
Benton 23  
Benton 24  
Benton 23  
Benton 20

**"Jim" Foulk, Forward**

Carbondale 11  
Murphysboro 8  
Harrisburg 12  
Herrin 24

**Non-Conference Games**

Christopher 10  
Ewing 10  
Christopher 12  
Alumni 26  
Mt. Vernon 23



*Henry Stops Them*





**"Tuffy" Miller, Guard**

Benton 17  
Benton 26

**"Whitey" Lawson, Forward**

**"Casey" Dobry, Guard**

Ewing 16  
Mt Vernon 23

**S. I. N. U. Invitational Tournament**

Benton 26  
Benton 50  
Benton 23  
Benton 30  
Benton 12 (Final)

Mcleansboro 14  
Equality 13  
Sparta 5  
Elkville 18  
West Frankfort 18



*Manis Tips Off*





"Bunny" Smith, Utility

"Scrooch" Waller, Forward

"Pose" Crawford, Center

#### District Tournament

Benton 38  
Benton 27  
Benton 26 (Final)

Sesser 22  
Ewing 10  
West Frankfort 20

#### Sectional Tournament

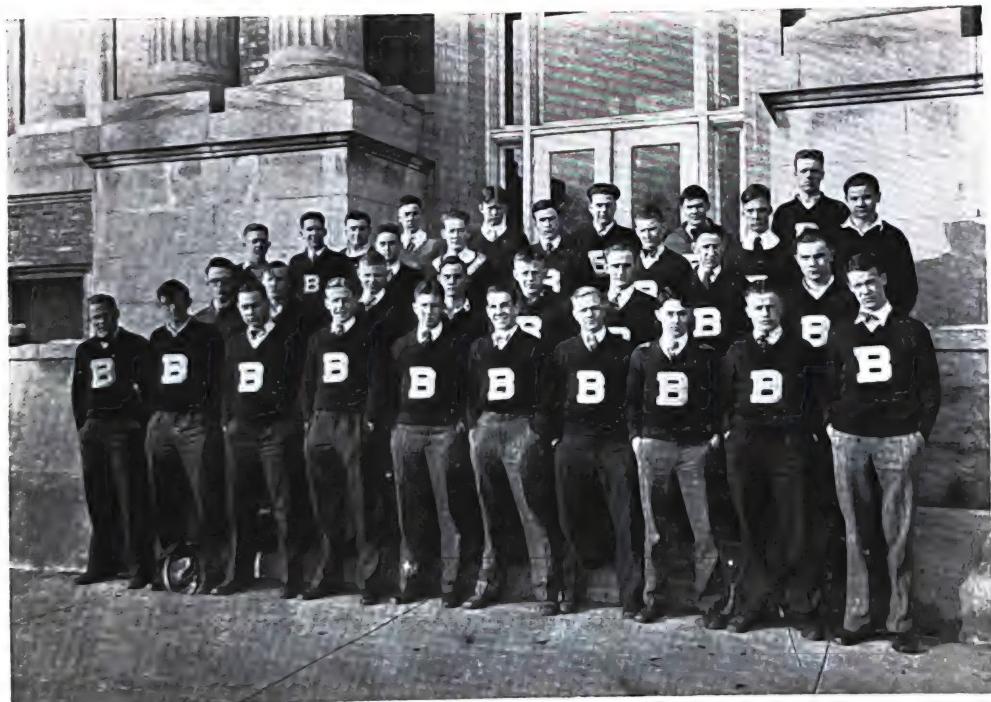
Benton 32  
Benton 28 (Final)

Anna 17  
Johnston City 29



*It Looks Like A Bargain*







# "IT" SECTION

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*The*  
**Most Popular**  
*and*  
**Most Representative**  
**Boy and Girl**  
*in the*  
**Senior Class**



*Thirman Fray*



*Harriet Layman*



"If"

If you can keep your head when all about you  
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;  
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,  
But make allowance for their doubting too;  
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting;  
Or being hated don't give way to hating.  
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;

If you can dream--and not make dreams your master;  
If you can think---and not make thoughts your aim,  
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster  
And treat these two imposters just the same:  
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken  
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,  
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,  
And stoop and build them up with worn-out tools;  
If you can make one heap of all your winnings

And risked it on one turn of pitch-and-toes,  
And lose, and start again at your beginnings  
And never breathe a word about your loss:  
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew  
To serve your turn long after they are gone,  
And so hold on when there is nothing in you  
Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on!"  
If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,  
Or walk with kings---nor lose the common touch,  
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,

Rudyard Kipling



# Society



## *Faculty Initiation*

At the first of the school year, the teachers new and untried in the methods of the Benton Township High School were merged with the teachers of longer standing by means of a ceremony of great solemnity. The wits of the ten novices were pitted against those of more than a score of the former faculty members in every conceivable form of baffling examination. Blindfolded, handcuffed victims led before grave, austere judges were questioned and tortured until satisfactory answers were given for every query. All the secrets--political, economical, and social--of the initiates were revealed before the final pledges of loyalty to Benton Township High School were administered. As the candidates fulfilled in every way the requirements set for the positions they desired to fill, they were given a royal feast by the Cafeteria Department and were heartily congratulated by the full faculty for their timely entrance into the ranks of the Bentonite pedagogues.

## *Sophomore Party*

At the first Sophomore class meeting a party was planned, and committees were chosen for the entertainment, and refreshments. The date set for the party was in Nov.

About 7:30 the Sophomores gathered in the gym. Games that had been planned by those in charge were played. Refreshments of sandwiches, soda pop, and candy were served early, because the advisors, Miss Bramble and Mr. Douglas, were leaving next morning for the Thanksgiving vacation.

## *Rotary Banquet*

On the first Tuesday following Thanksgiving the Benton Rotary Club lavishly banqueted our 1928 football champs. The dining room of the Benton Country Club was filled to capacity and the whole scene was one of hilarity due to the praise and admiration which always follows a championship team.

Besides the team, including about twenty members of the squad, the Rotarians had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Pinkerton, Mr. Smith, Mr. Lemmer, Mr. H. V. Porter, who is assistant state manager of the Illinois State Athletic Association, and coaches Hargrove, Natho and Tabor.

Between song and laughter short speeches were made as preliminaries to the address of the evening delivered by Mr. Porter. Coach Tabor introduced the players present. Mr. Smith reviewed our football record over a period of 12 years. Mr. Natho and Mr. Hanna spoke relative to the occasion.

Mr. Natho told of the activity of the light weight squad and told of the splendid record which they made this year. Mr. Porter who is a former coach and who has a habit of developing championship teams was certainly well qualified to deliver a speech which was inspiring as well as educational.

Captain Thirman Fray who was so instrumental in guiding the championship to Benton made a few remarks and thanked the Rotarians for the wonderful banquet, and their loyal support. He felt sure that the 1929 football team would give their captain the same unselfish support that the 1928 team had given him.

When the ballots were counted it was found that Claude "Fuzzy" Rea was the choice. More power to him.

May the Rotarians never die and may the Benton Rangers always have a record worthy of praise and congratulations.





## The Hi-Tri Installation

The local chapter of the Hi-Tri was installed by officers of the Mt Vernon group on Tuesday afternoon, October 30, 1928.

This is the sixth chapter that has been installed in Southern Illinois, the first being organized in Mt. Vernon in 1925. This is a splendid organization for girls, corresponding somewhat with the Hi-Y for boys. All high school girls are eligible.

Miss Cornelia Pierce, the leader of the Mt. Vernon group was the first speaker on the program. She spoke on the aims and purposes of Hi-Tri and what it should mean to every High School girl.

Miss Mildred Reed, as a representative of the local chapter presented Miss Pierce with a beautiful bouquet as a token of appreciation of the Benton girls for aid in assisting them to organize.

Miss Pierce introduced the officers of the Mt. Vernon Hi-Tri, who explained in detail the activities of the organization, its rules and regulations.

They also sang a group of Hi-Tri songs, gave the motto, poem, and watch word.

The installation was a very beautiful and impressive ceremony and an inspiration to the girls of B. T. H. S. After the installation a tea was given honoring the Mt. Vernon guests.

## Junior-Senior Banquet

On May 26, 1928 the Junior Class entertained the members of the Senior Class with a banquet at the First Baptist Church which was very beautifully decorated with yellow and green as the predominating color scheme. Flowers were artistically arranged to promote the spring atmosphere.

The program was composed of various entertainers. Chief among these was a one act play, "The Bride Main," which was thoroughly enjoyed by the entire audience. Ernest Gowar gave a very clever reading "In The Usual Way." Ormond Robinson sang two lovely numbers. A piano duet was played by Helen Webb and Mary E. Helm. A chorus of boys furnished much merriment. The Ideal Senior Girl, Miss Bonnie Ingram was presented. An orchestra played throughout the entertainment. The delightful evening was closed with the Farewell song.

## Junior and Senior Prom

On May 25, 1928 the departing Seniors were honored with a guest dance at the Benton Country Club. The gala evening seekers were greeted by the beautifully decorated club and an orchestra of colored boys.

The youthful couples, (faculty included) swiftly entered into the musical atmosphere and soon every one was in the height of his glory. Confetti and serpentine were distributed to the crowd which moved in color tangles.

All were loathe to depart so they waited for the last strains of "Home Sweet Home."

## Junior Party

About fifty Junior boys and girls gathered together one evening for a frolicking and rollicking party. The president lead the grand march in which the Juniors lost their dignity and jumped, skipped, flew like birds, limped, and swam. Since the gym was cold, games such as three-deep, virginia reel, balloon races, blind-fold races, and alphabet games were engaged in---for fun and warmth. There were two stage production: the first was a movie---"The Supreme Sacrifice" in which Webb Johnson enjoyed playing the role of Chief-Hole-in-the-Breeches." In the second stunt Dr. Staudt performed a shadow operation upon Ky Mc Harry, pulling forth books, vases, flowers, and a saw from his body. Eskimo pies, soda pop, and popcorn balls were plentifully distributed to the hungry mob--and the Juniors departed happy for once.



## Calendar

*It is not time that passes; it is we who pass in endless procession*

- Sept. 4 Register for school---lots of new people. The usual reappearance of the flea-bitten, sway-backed Essex.
- Sept. 5 We were introduced to the new teachers'n all---even a new man on the Faculty--Hargrove...God's gift to women and athletics.  
Just a few weeks of hustle and bustle--getting organized--gaining momentum to go.
- Sept. 29 We played Johnston City and beat'em lots.
- Oct. 1 Seniors selected class advisors Lemmer and Pinkie. Oh Boy! Dignity and the antithesis! *We like* the men.
- Oct. 2 You should see our band and their uniforms --- and such a drum-major---
- Oct. 4 Class elections-- carried on in true political fashion.
- Oct. 5 Burkhardt and Frier--some team with RED HAIR?
- Oct. 6 Big week end. Older Girls Conference in Centralia.
- Oct. 10 Stage and Stammer Play--Mar. Ruth's hero was shot. Consternation.
- Oct. 11 A new man teacher cute--A woman hater, ha, ha. Beware of Doug. Jr.
- Oct. 12 Pep meeting--Smitty led yells--
- Oct. 13 We beat Centralia--first time they've been beaten in 4 years. Mr. Hanna immerses in a new top--coat.
- Oct. 15 "Smiling" Lyceum number--Got out of eighth hour classes.
- Oct. 17 Hi-Tri League organized. Hope the boys don't feel hurt.
- Oct. 18 Teachers had initiation. Some looked kinda' "pert" today.
- Oct. 19 Pep Assembly. Lecture on good behavior.
- Oct. 20 We beat Marion. Good game. Smacked a sassy girl's face.
- Oct. 22 Play in assembly "The Robbery". Ruth and Ormand! Ain't love grand! !
- Oct. 23 Feeling so low have to look up to see down.
- Oct. 27 Beat Murphy. Lotsa Pep, Band Parade and all.
- Oct. 30 Hi-Tri Initiation. Pink Tea Party.
- Nov. 3 Band and Pep squad to C'Dale. We win of course! Tabe is a peach of a coach.
- Nov. 9 Armistice Day Program.
- Nov. 12 We beat Herrin 25-6.
- Nov. 15 Assembly--Miscellaneous Program.
- Nov. 17 Swimming Football game with H'Burg. Nobody drowned. Score 6-0. It was even broadcasted.
- Nov. 19 Rain again--Lord save the Ducks!
- Nov. 20 Hi-Tri Mass meeting. Boys are so jealous.
- Nov. 21 Girls play in Assembly. Boys are fading into empty space. Jean Crawford had the lead and wept copiously. Sophs have the first big party.
- Nov. 22 Two days vacation. Teachers in Champaign, Big time Doug interviews the speed cops.
- Nov. 28 Operetta. Pirates, grass skirts and love. Miss Burkhardt is a peach.
- Nov. 29 Turkey day. Mud battle. We're too good for the Cardinals. Do I love my team? My! My! My! The Red Birds are Black Birds now.
- Dec. 11 Rotary entertained Football boys.
- Dec. 12 John Dick Trout visited school today. You heard me!
- Dec. 17 Say listen kid--Senior play postponed. "Satch" Carroll has the p-monias.
- Dec. 19 Medals awarded Football players. Honors.

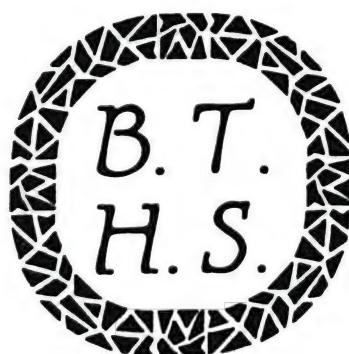


- Dec. 19 Miss. Frier has heart trouble. Specialist out from New York. Be sure and buy a Scarab. Some bargain.
- Dec. 20 Senior Play. To describe Corwin Carroll would rob our language of its superlatives. Jean Teague has some figure!
- Dec. 21 Time for Santa Claus. Vacation.
- Jan. 3 School-blah! Collegiates gone. No more fur coats. Miss Hargrove sick from eating too many "pulley bones."--
- Jan. 7 Ruth and Corwin mad-impossible-
- Jan. 10 Its Papa Armentrout now. Rah for Anna.
- Jan. 11 Miss Seymour is married. Two can starve as cheaply as one.
- Jan. 11 We played West Frankfort and were beaten. Too bad.
- Jan. 12 Ewing vs. Benton. We won 16-17.
- Jan. 14 Christmas weather three weeks late. Spring is still several tons of coal away.
- Jan. 15 Many are cold but few are frozen. Semester Exams looming on the horizon. There really ought to be a law about it.
- Jan. 16 Ice, Ice. Everybody lay down and go boom, boom.
- Jan. 18 We beat Herrin 39-18.
- Jan. 21 We look upon semester exams with frigid disapproval. About as unnecessary as the fifth dimension.
- Jan. 23 We beat Carbondale 35-11. What a team!
- Jan. 25 Defeated Murphy 36-6.
- Jan. 29 Prof. Guy Moose Bingham spoke several times during the day. We like to have speakers of so much note. Hi-Tri group meeting.
- Jan. 30 Invitation tourney at Carbondale. We beat McLeansboro 26-14 and Equality 50-13 going big!
- Jan. 31 We beat Elkville 30-18. Aren't we proud of Tabe and his boys?
- Feb. 1 W. Frankfort beat us 18-12. What a shame. Never mind, we have and will show them up. Wait till the 15th. We'll show them that we have the resiliency of a rubber doll and the persistency of an English bull-dog.
- Feb. 5 Musical program and a speaker. A double header---a peach of a program.
- Feb. 8 Saw some of the "skippers" being threatened with a burning at sunrise or a shooting at the stake.
- Feb. 12 Lincoln's birthday. A big Assembly.
- Feb. 14 Valentines sent--with love and affection.
- Feb. 15 Everbody has scarlet fever or flu---Deliver me! We beat West Frankfort 19-10.
- Feb. 18 Welsh singers entertain with superb program.
- Feb. 20 Spring is in the offing. The seed catalogue arrived.
- Feb. 22 Washington's birthday program. We learned the minuet.
- Mar. 1 Senior class meeting. We're going to have some prom.
- Mar. 4 We heard the Inauguration over the radio. Mr. Hanna is a real sport.
- Mar. 5 New nurse comes to school.
- Mar. 6 Mr. Hanna is sick today. Trying to get out of six weeks exam.
- Mar. 7 Lyceum number. "Swell program." District tourney at West Frankfort. Bill Pinkey's wife goes home to mother.
- Mar. 8 Benton defeats Sesser. Girls attend banquet in Mt. Vernon.
- Mar. 9 Benton defeats Ewing. We defeat W. Frankfort in final game. Frankfort is a hard loser. They hate us with enthusiasm. When they can't beat us they whip us.
- Mar. 11 Extra! All teachers present for first time in two months.
- Mar. 12 Patricia Lynn born to "Prof" and Mrs. M. J. Moore.
- Mar. 23 Have the spring fever. Feeling very lazy--sat down and watched the snails and turtles go whizzing by.
- Mar. 14 Spring fever rapidly becoming no better. Sectional tournament at Harrisburg. Benton draws a bye.





- Mar. 15 Benton defeats Anna.  
Mar. 16 Dame Luck smiles on Johnston City. Benton loses 29-28 and doesn't get to go to the State Tournament. Oh, what a last half rally. They led us 21-6 at the half.  
Mar. 19 Dusted off my books and took them to school again.  
Mar. 20 Seniors step out and put on big assembly program.  
Mar. 21 No school! Teachers are sentenced to Carbondale for a few days.  
Mar. 22 "Kathleen" is a big success. Choruses from High School. A knockout.  
Mar. 23 Benton hopes fulfilled. Johnston City wins state Tournament.  
Mar. 24 Covered up my books to keep them from getting dusty the rest of the year.  
Mar. 25 George Moore retires old Essex and invest in brand new Essex. (Red Letter Day). Promise down, conversation weekly plan.  
Mar. 26 Scarlet Fever. Everyone examined by nurse.  
Mar. 27 Miss Burkhart takes up golf.  
Mar. 28 Miss Hershbach visited school. Doc in an efforescing good humor.  
Mar. 29 Easter program in Assembly. All college people have departed.  
April 1 Every one fulfills the adage of Barnum.  
April 2 George Moore brings his new Essex to school.  
April 3 Spring fever sets in with much gusto. Nurse is kept busy hearing us say "Ah."  
April 4 More "Ahs."  
April 6 Track team triumphs over Johnston City. Cross Country team returns from Carlyle with five cups and numerous medals.  
April 8 Assembly in honor of our stars of the cinder path.  
April 9 Crumb tarts in the Cafeteria.  
April 10 "Grumpy" players are hard at work on their lines.  
April 12 Girls have a Hi-Tri Banquet at Baptist Church. Cops are called to disperse mob of the boys waiting outside.  
April 13 County Track Meet. Benton downs Frankfort in a third sport. Bain, Fray and Hess do things.  
April 15 "Grumpy" is a sell out! Stage and Stammer steps out and produces a real play. Miss Hochhalter again shows her directing talent.





# ORGANIZATIONS

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# Music



## Ranger Band



Mr. William R. Pinkerton, Director



## B Formation





**Orchestra**



**Girls Chorus**



**Boys Glee Club**





## *Love Pirates of Hawaii*



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Billy Wood .....	Leo Johnson
Pirate Chief .....	Bennard Williamson
Scary .....	Elvin Copeland

Chorus of Hawaiian Girls and a Chorus of Pirates



**Miss Burkhart,** Director





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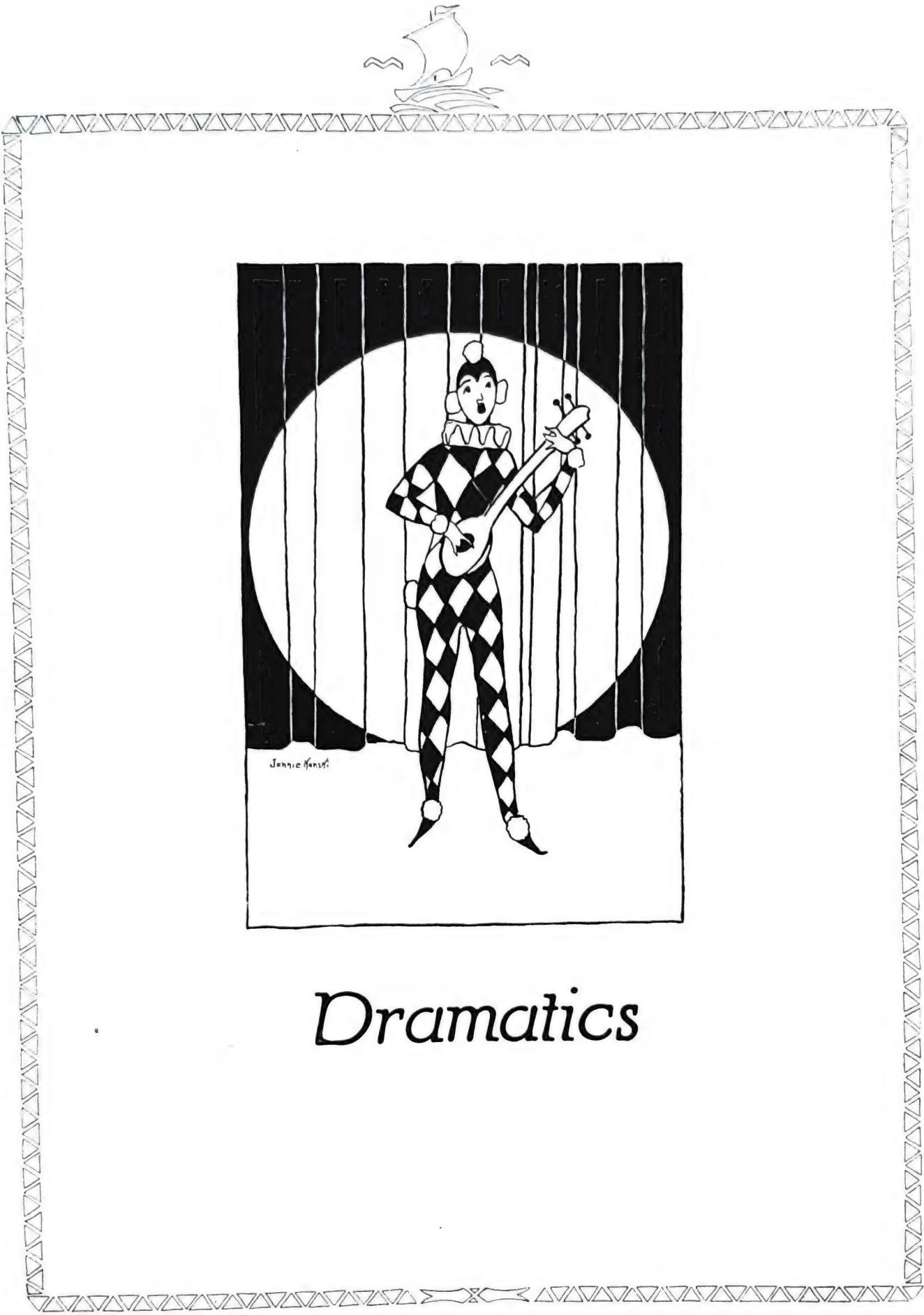
## Printing Department

The instruction of printing was introduced into the curriculum of Benton Township High School in 1926. Since that time the department has been enlarged a great deal.

The members of the class set by hand all of the type that is used. They also have charge of the makeup of the weekly school paper. Students also learn to operate the press. All of the type used in this Book was set by students and the entire book was printed in the school printing shop.

The personnel of the 1928-29 printing department is as follows: James Dillon, Lowell Hutchcraft, Cameron Miller, Ralph Uhles, Kenneth Miller, R. De Robinson, Kenneth Williams, Charles Duncan, Rex Estes, Ethred Kern, Thomas Williams, H. Ed Payne and Hugh Mc Kone, instructor.





# Dramatics



## *Stage and Stammer*

On November 7th, 1928 Stage and Stammer was organized. The purpose of this club is to promote dramatics in the High School. To become a member one must have successfully taken part in a dramatic production. A credit system was worked out by which the members are judged. To remain in the club one must earn five credits a semester.

The Stage and Stammer has successfully sponsored several one act plays and programs of readings, given before the assembly. One night production "Grumpy" was given entirely by the members.

### OFFICERS

Chairman, Harriet Layman  
Vice-Chairman, Mary Eleanor Helm

Secretary, Lucille Rea  
Treasurer, Fredrick Wiecke

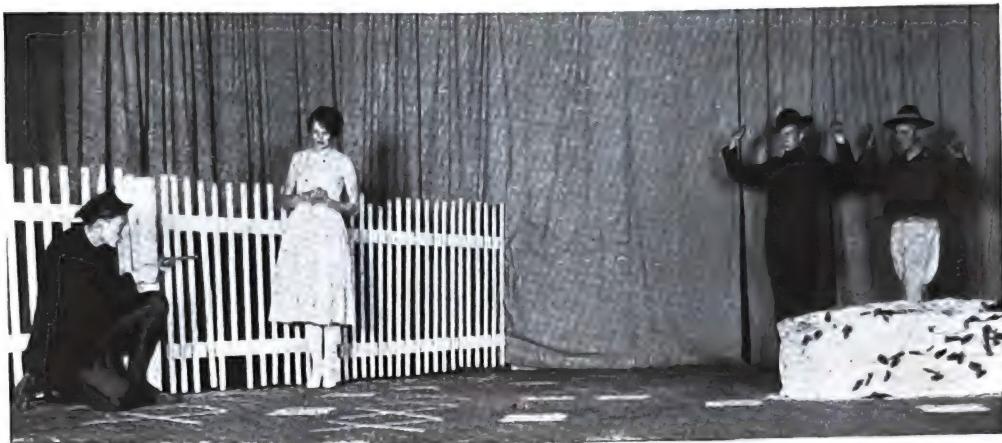


**Miss Hochhalter**





## *Peace Maneuvers*



Polly .....	Margaret Ruth
Henry .....	Martin Webb
Buck .....	Bennard Williamson
Ikey .....	George Staudt

## *The Robbery*



Mr. Upton .....	Lowell McConnell
Mrs. Upton .....	Harriet Layman
Edie .....	Ruth Warren
Bob .....	Ormand Robinson





## *Debate Club*

**President,** Ernest Gower

**Vice-President,** Leo Johnson

**Secretary,** Beulah Neal

**Treasurer,** Stanley Hess

**Sergeant at Arms,** Ammon Roberson

The Debating Club was re-organized early in the school year, and an opportunity was given for new members to come into the Club. At the second meeting a number of new members were accepted into the club.

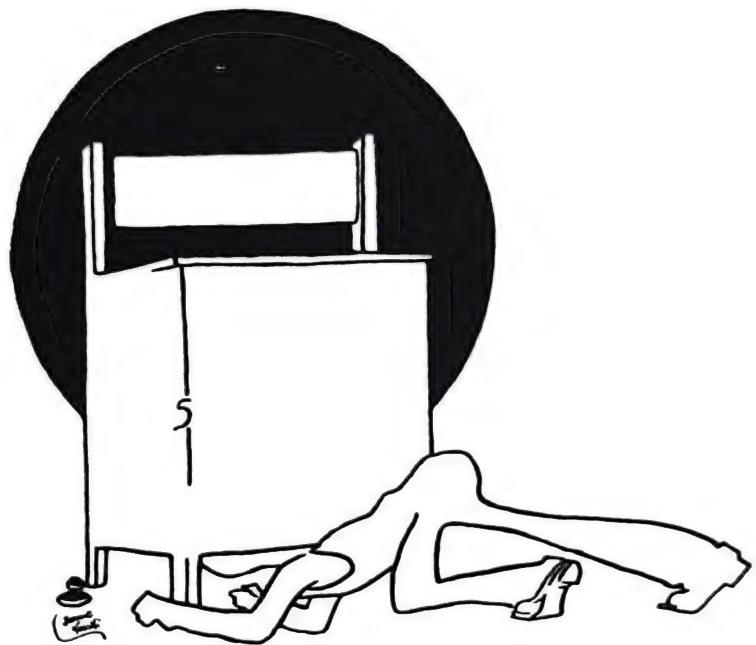
The main purposes of the Debating Club are to give the students experience in public speaking and to furnish material for the Southern Illinois Debating Teams.

**Affirmative Team**  
Ernest Gower  
Herbert House  
Ermal Dickerson  
Ralph Bain



**Negative Team**  
Leo Johnson  
Leonard Dillon  
Vernan Lamplrey  
Fred Halloway

**Debate Squad**



Clubs



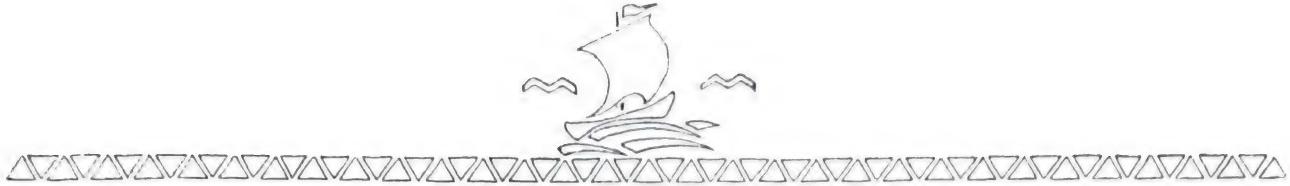
## *Student Council*

The Student Council for 1928-29 selected when the class officers were chosen were  
**Seniors;** Thirman Fray, Stanley Hess      **Juniors;** Loraine Ludwig, John McAfoos  
**Sophomore;** Jeanne Webster                        **Freshmen;** Isabel Martin

The aim of this Council is to initiate and establish beneficial, practical, and worth while precedents for all students.

The most important one this year was the passing of the Students Activity Fund Plan. This fund has proven a success in every way.





## Hi-Tri Cabinet

Of the various social organizations for girls now in existence, one of the newest is the Hi-Tri League. It is made up of girls attending high school, and has thus far been limited to Southern Illinois.

The organization was started by Miss Cornelia Pearce of Mt. Vernon, Illinois. It is built about the watchword of "Loyalty," with the motto: "We build the ladder by which we rise," using the key words, character, friendship, courtesy, pleasure and success, as the rounds of a ladder, and expressing the ideals of the members in the poem:

Success is not reached at a single bound;  
But we build the ladder by which we rise  
From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies,  
And we mount to its summit round by round.

The organization is divided into groups of twenty-five or thirty members having a sponsor from the High School faculty. The groups have their individual meetings at regular intervals. There are also mass meetings and cabinet meetings. The following are the officers of the Benton Hi-Tri League  
President, Ruth Warren Vice-President, Lorraine Ludwig Secretary, Myrtle Puckett  
Treasurer, Lucille Rea Reporter, Margaret Ruth





## Hi-Y

The Hi-Y was introduced into B.T.H.S five years ago under the leadership of Mr. Glenn Ayre. It was the first Hi-Y club in Southern Illinois and induced a great many of the clubs, which are now in existence in "Egypt". Mr. W.E. Armentrout took over the leadership of the club at the beginning of the school for 1927-28.

The Hi-Y began this year with about fourteen members left from last year. The officers are Albert Cook, President, Kenneth Williams, Vice President, and George Moore, Secretary-Treasurer. A 4C's campaign was conducted by the Hi-Y during March and April of this year. Speeches were given by competent men on the subjects of clean athletics, clean speech, clean scholarship, and clean living. On April 2, a Father and Son banquet was given at the Baptist Church. A speaker was provided for this time and about ten boys were taken into the club at the banquet. These boys, with others from a later induction raised the total membership to over thirty boys.





## *Home Economics Club*

The Home Economics Club was organized November 1, 1928. The club is for the purpose of increasing the interest of the members of the club in home life and Home Economics. The club entertains with a reception annually, to which the girls invite their mothers.

The officers of the club are as follow:  
President, Susie Williamson; Vice-President, Daisy Parkhill; Sec.-Treasurer, Elizabeth Moore  
The sponsors of the club are as follows: Miss Sense, Miss Frier, Miss Reed.





## French Club

La Societe Françoise, always one of the most prominent members of the school organizations, was organized early in the school year with Miss Blackard as advisor. At that time the following officers were elected.

Dorothy Blair, Presidente; Thirman Fray, Vice-Presidente; Maxine Musgrave Secrétaire; Lucille Dillon, Tresaiere.

The purpose of this club is to stimulate interest in French and to furnish a means whereby the students will be able to have more practice in using French outside the classroom. At present the organization includes about thirty members. It meets twice a month and takes a very active part in all school affairs. During the year the club members learned how to sing French songs, repeat poems in French, play French games, and often as part of the regular club program, a short play or a dialogue in French is given.

Anyone taking first or second year French or anyone who has had French is eligible to become a member of this organization at any time and should find it a very interesting as well as one of the most instructive of the extra curricular courses.





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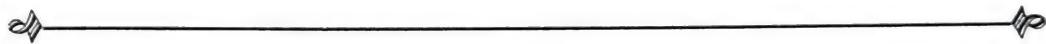
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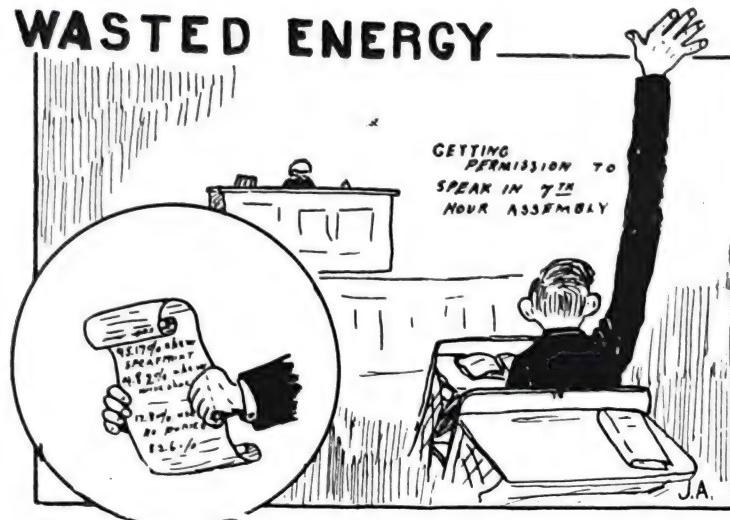
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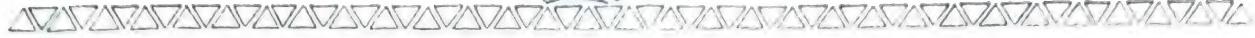
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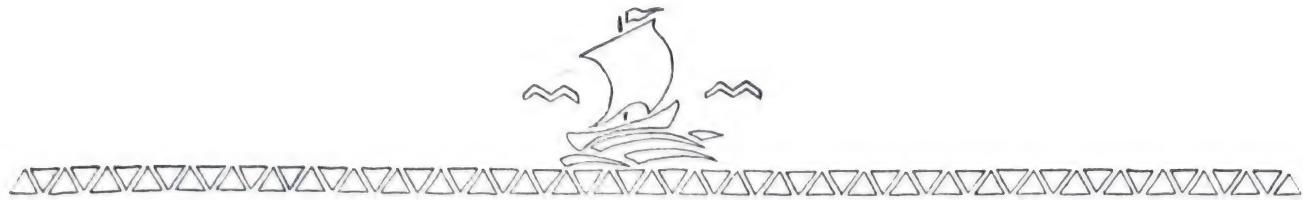
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## Faculty

**John "Jack" Sharkey**, Spanish, P. D. Q. M. T. S., Benton, Ill. Born 1703. Holds a Fahrenheit degree. Graduated from Xenia (Montana) College 1903. Holds a master's degree in smoking.

**Herbert A.B.C. Hoover**, Physics, S.O. L, Lickskillet Ind. Born 1925. Holds a Centigrade degree. Graduated from the eighth grade 1819. Holds a joint scholarship to Benton High School.

**Walter P. Q. Chrysler**, Algebra. X. Y. Z. Panocea, Oklahoma. Born in (He wont tell). Has six degrees of fever. Graduated from Panocea College 1834. was one of the C Students there.

**Aloysius P. Henry Ford**, M. N. D. Eureka, Pennsylvania. Born in 1862 died 1912. Has a O degree. Graduated from Eureka College in 1925. Holds a numeral from the Freak Class in debate. He teaches cooking.

**Charles S. Einstein**, O. I. C. U. Pattville Kentucky, Born March 12. Died March 13, 1929. Graduated from Bowling Green Alley in 1898. Served in Civil War. Holds a plumbers degree and teaches spelling.

**Alfred Capone**, Home Ec Born 1853. Graduated Sing Sing 1863. Post graduate course in sewing 1903. Has the 3rd degree from Sing Sing.

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## Seniors

**Jean Teague**, A girl, 1, 2, 3, 4. Usher 8, 9, 10, 11. Football 1, 2, 3, 4. Track 1, 2, 3, 4. Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4. Baseball 1, 2, 4. "When Roses Bloomed in the Front Yard", "I'm not Much" 3. Usher 1, 2, 3. "Movelton Broy" 4.

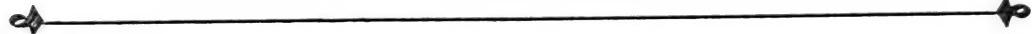
**Harriet Layman**, Dumbest girl in class 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Record holder of '68' 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Football 1, 2, 3. Aviation 4, 5, 6. League Basketball 4, 5. "Hot Shot Club" 4, 5, 6. "Tragedy of Mistakes" 3. Voted prize for being non compos mentis 3, 4, 5.

**Ruth Warren**, Football 6, 7, 8, 9. Basketball 8, 9, 34, 36. Voted champion "I don't knower" 7, 6, 5. Record holder of men's high jump 2 feet 3 inches. Male quartet 1, 2, 4 1st prize at Indianapolis stock show 1927. 8th place in tryout for boy's solo. "She May Be Dumb" 3. "A Dream," 9, "The Blue Shamrock" 36.

**Lowell (Sylvester Agamemnon) McConnell**, Scotch Highlands 1, 2, 3, 4, 6; Irish Highlands 6, 7, 8; Class President 1, 3; Class Janitor 7, 4, 6; Class President 1, 3; Home Ec. Club 7, 3, 9, 8, 6; Spanish Club 87; Stage Manager 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; Volleyball 1; Blough's Store 1, 2, 3, 9, 6, 8, 4, 6.

**James Boliver Foulk**, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 nothing. Football 0000. Debate 1, 2, 3. Extemporaneous Speech 0. 0. 0. French Club 8. Nothing, 6, 7, 8. Worst Looking boy 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. Nothing 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

**Bill (Robert Williams) Gilmore**, Freshman 1, Soph. 2, Junior 3, Senior 4, Sew circle 1, 2, 3, Debate 1, 3, 4. Sophomore Play 6. Vice-President 1. Ag. Club 7. Tiddlewinks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7, 8, 9, 10.



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## Football

**Marion Otterson, Coach**

The football season has just finished in a most successful manner. We almost won a game but Coach Otterson sent in Bill Gilmore and they ran around him for an 18 yard loss. Our next game was with the McKinley school for Deaf, Dumb, Blind, and otherwise Incapacitated. In this game Duncan put up a sterling game as did several other people Margaret Ruth clipped a man from behind and he was penalized 86 yards. If it had not been for the line work of Dillon the other side could not have made their 18 touchdowns Dillon was a holy terror. There wasn't a man or woman on the field who could catch him. We were defeated in this game 0 to 0.

In our next game we had several new plays to try. A play which worked wonderfully was one where George Runnels passed the ball to Genevieve Rea. She pivoted and handed the ball to Malone who was coming like a bat out of a perdition. He faked the old pill to Waller and then reversed into the line. Just as he reached the line of scrimmage he tossed the ball back to Jean Teague who was waiting. She nonchalantly ran to the other side of the field singing in a dulcet voice to decline the opposing side. On a dead run she heaved the ball six yards down the field to Ralph Uhles who by superhuman effort managed to miss it. We never lost more than 100 yards with this play.

Another interesting game was the game played with the team of Picked Townspeople. It was played in a sea (maybe it was an x) of mud. Huge billowy waves marked the surface. Out comes our team respondent in gray uniforms. We quickly took the ball and made a touchdown while they weren't looking. However it wasn't allowed. The game hadn't started yet. We played like demons, yes, oh, yes, like demons did we play. We had no casualties excepting someone who broke his neck. We finally beat them 93 to 92.

All in all it was a very good season as you can see. We played 83 games and won 1 and lost 1 and tied 1 and didn't play the others.



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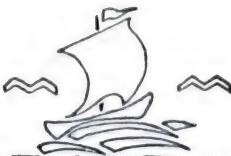
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## Basketball

Virgil Skeen, Coach

This season's basketball team was a rank failure. We only won 16 games out of the 16 we played. Try as hard as they could they couldn't lose a game. The spirit was willing but the flesh was weak.

Coach Skeen said however that next year's team would probably be better. He said he was working on a system of collective ownership which would be sure to make the team lose. In this new system each man has a certain zone. Each man is given a blackjack. If a man on the opposing side comes into a Benton man's zone he gets corked on the dome. By this method the enemy can be successfully checked.

In one of the most thrilling games of the year we beat West Frankfort 93 to 2. The game was much closer than the score indicates. Barney Munday was a veritable whirlwind. He shot 8693 times made 2 of them for a percentage of 1000. His floorwork was excellent. Everytime he was throwing the ball he always handed it to his guard and said, "Here thou art, Sir Reginald." Then he would heave deeply and kiss the guard's hand. West Frankfort appreciated such courtesy and only tried to score 612,936,900 times. Our defence was airtight. In fact it was so airtight, Hardface had to be taken out and a pulmotor used. He never revived and he said that he would be burned if he would come to life to get smothered again. He is still dead. Manis usually comes out of his lethargy in time to undress after the game. Ernest Henry, James Foulk, and Leo Wilkerson were too dumb to play. Their minds would not give the signal to throw the ball. James Dobry was so slow he had to order his hand to move the night before.

As the scores didn't count much anyway we had a truly successful year. But we hope to lose at least six games next year.



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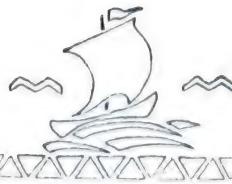
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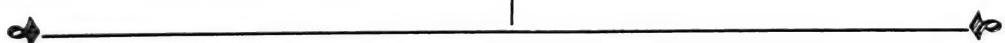
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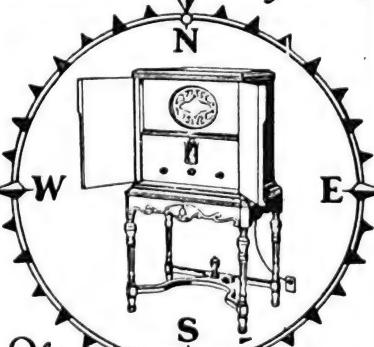
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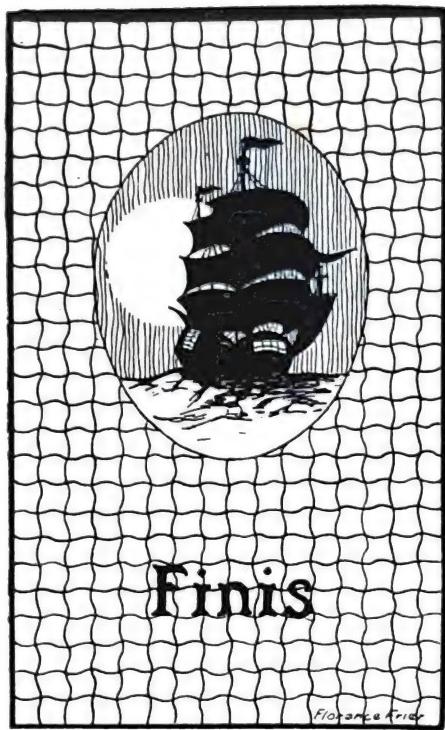
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